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- Coverage runs from 12:00 A.M E.T - 5:30 A.M E.T

- Democrat: F.M.R Vice President Joseph R. Biden - 306 Electoral Votes
- Republican: President Donald J. Trump - 232 Electoral Votes

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let's go through um the the northern tier here a little bit minnesota joe biden's building uh quite a bit of lead here 63 percent in we still see it as a lot of today vote uh there but i'm we still have no saint paul i'm not we'll see but i know the trump campaign thinks there's something there we're not quite seen there in minnesota check out wisconsin here a bit it's a narrow lead for the president but just a reminder here how much of this is today's vote and just so you see so right now he leads by 109 000 votes just want to take you to milwaukee county we expect a lot more than that right now there's only 36 percent in just to give you a sense of how much vote is in milwaukee it was a bad turnout but let's go to at 2012. you're looking at some four to five hundred thousand voters there and so we still have a long way to go barack obama won it by nearly two hundred thousand votes so my point is as you could see one milwaukee would suddenly to give biden the lead in in wisconsin we're dealing with a lot of today vote a lot of rural vote there let me take you quickly to michigan we're also saying half the vote in appears to be mostly today vote as you can see here the yellow is today the orange is the mail vote so we still got a lot to wait for there that may we think end up leading by now i'll take you to one county that stuck out to me here a little bit because it was so big for trump and it tells you it's today's vote macomb famous macomb county this is the home of the famous reagan democrats obama won this county two cycles ago it is a swing county trump won it last time we expect it to be very close whether it's biden or trump we expect to be close the point is this is what you can see this is today's vote and what we're waiting on here obviously in this county we haven't gotten any of the mail vote at all so it's just sort of a reminder michigan i mean we're look i i don't have any confidence in knowing anything about michigan uh before the today show so we're that's one that's going to be brave for for quite some time wisconsin i had a source tell me that we may see all that milwaukee vote

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may see all that milwaukee vote before 5am and we should know by the way that today's show's seven hours away so we're not talking about hours and hours and hours michigan democrats don't think you're going to see that until wednesday night there you go okay let me let me go to casey and circle back to ohio uh what's the significance of that other than putting a lot of electoral votes in the president's column in terms of where this night goes well i think underscoring this idea that the president seems to be matching uh his performance in 2016 with his performance in terms of of percentage of the vote and that seems to be playing out also in iowa according to sources that i'm talking to there and i think the question then becomes you know has biden done the work that he needs to do in these other midwestern states i mean we clearly are are seeing that a lot of the polling was not right in in some of these sun belt races and and states question is

is that going to be the case uh in these other in these other places uh as well and i think clearly the jury is is still out on that you know democrats are nervous about uh some of the uh the way things are looking particularly uh in michigan although i think at the end of the day they expect that they're going to pull that out but you could see a republican win the senate race there which uh you know when we were we were talking earlier this week that seemed like the republican pipe dream picking up a senate seat uh in michigan not necessarily completely off the table now and i think democrats who are looking at the early returns from ohio were hoping that what they meant was uh the the suburban vote was going to come in for biden in a big way that around cleveland around columbus perhaps a suburban women perhaps who had been turned off by president trump some of the people who helped democrats flip the house in 2018 uh would show up in a big way for the former vice president and it seems now that we have a more complete picture of what's happened in ohio that's really not the case so that's something that's got i think democrats a little bit on edge as we head into what's looking increasingly like a pretty long process of counting ballots in this uh what

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in this uh what you know what they hope is a rebuilt blue wall that seems like it's going to be the question we're trying to answer here for a while and we're just flagging that alyssa slotkin one of the you know democratic women michigan elected in 2018 cia background pentagon background she's down considerably and that's because it's same day vote not early vote she's told her supporters in the live stream we're not going to see results tonight we'll reconvene tomorrow okay so she's they're calling it at night because they feel like this early vote is not going to get counted tonight so you're not going to have an accurate reflection of what's going on in michigan we've got another call here you see it on the screen there virginia nbc news projects that joe biden will win virginia's 13 electoral votes in idaho the president has won idaho's four electoral votes in georgia it's a squeaker it is too early to call we await a last check a lot of votes still coming in in the atlanta suburbs which could be telling let's go to north carolina too close to call that is also a squeaker to use the technical term pennsylvania goes without saying at this point too early to call there maine is too early to call as well we'll keep an eye on that one in arizona it is too early to call however we are projecting that joe biden has a lead there minnesota it is too early to call michigan uh too early to call as well and let's go to texas too early to call but the president has said jumped out to a lead there in texas so we continue to watch that one in wisconsin too early to call we were just discussing that one with chuck iowa's too early to call as is montana uh nevada we're just starting to see our first uh votes coming in from nevada that's too early to call hawaii yeah nevada was one mentioned by koi lewandowski the trump campaign is a potential pickup for for president trump we'll see if that plays out the polls haven't suggested that uh and in hawaii too early to call we just got a poll closed there so let's look at where that stands in the race to 270 uh joe biden leading right now

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right now 205 to 136. okay let's uh join up with nbc news contributors hugh hewitt who's host of the show on salem radio network and maria theresa kumar who's the president and ceo of voto latino maria theresa how are you feeling at this hour i think that we knew coming in that it was going to take all night if not a couple of a couple of days after this so we've been preparing for this at voter latino what i do see is that yeah the latino vote has basically helped clinch the arizona the state of arizona both for the senate and for joe biden and north carolina is going to be close because again the latino vote but something to keep in mind in pennsylvania and michigan and wisconsin we are right now i talking about the people that have voted today but but we are not necessarily counting everybody who early voted and what we know from great really good sources is that most republicans actually were saving up to vote in person today whereas in pennsylvania for example there are 2.4 roughly 2.4 million mail-in ballots two to one going for joe biden so this is a this is going to be a nail pleasure i i don't agree with chuck i don't think we'll know on the today show either but we should make sure that every single vote is counted i do like all the product placement for the today show though so thanks to everyone i just assume i'm going to be woken up here oh yeah i'm going to kick you yeah i guess nightly news stands for nothing around here oh wow let me uh you have a more reasonable time slot that's true i always get up early let me bring you to this conversation so based on what we're seeing

right now it looks like the president has bought himself a ticket at least as far as pennsylvania does anything that's occurred tonight shed any new light on what pennsylvania might look like uh i do want to look over the border from pennsylvania to ashtabula mahoning in trumbull county which went decisively for the president uh to the extent that they are still counting those late votes in pennsylvania along the spine of pennsylvania and ohio that bodes very well for the president's totals in pennsylvania because

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totals in pennsylvania because as chuck pointed out earlier ashtabila trumbull and mahoning are where joe biden had hoped to reclaim some of the the obama voters and he did not get them i think it's a three-state election michigan wisconsin pennsylvania i think it's been a three-state election for four years the good news for the republicans tonight it appears that the senate will be a republican majority i don't actually see how even with a runoff in georgia that democrats can take control the upper chamber they've they've won in arizona apparently beating martha mcsally they've won in colorado but they've lost alabama susan collins looks pretty good and it looks like nancy pelosi will be back as speaker of the house so all told the deeply divided cliche is going to be with us for another two to four years as no matter who wins biden and trump and i think it's a coin flip right now i don't think we know i don't think anyone can say with certainty but the president there certainly is no red wave there certainly is no blue wave there is however mitch mcconnell sitting there in kentucky fairly certain he's going to be running the senate for another two years all right thank you to both of you we'll check back in gate gutierrez is in milwaukee and what do you hear in there gabe hi there savannah well behind me is where hundreds of election workers are trying to count those absentee ballots uh that we've been talking about you just heard chuck saying we might not hear results here in wisconsin for the next several hours and that is what we're hearing from local election officials of course savannah you know that wisconsin is one of those states that does not allow absentee ballots to be counted before election day well that process started today they've been counting about fifteen hundred to two thousand absentee ballots an hour now savannah president trump had been tr uh trailing here in the polls over the last several weeks but we spoke to many of his supporters over the last several days and they insist do not count him out a message that he's been repeating constantly here in wisconsin the last several weeks is that of law and order and it does resonate with his base here of course wisconsin kenosha 45 minutes south of milwaukee where i am right now more than two months ago the shooting of jacob blake president trump has been hitting hard

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president trump has been hitting hard that campaign theme of law and order also another major issue here in wisconsin is the pandemic of course wisconsin one of those states that is seeing a surge in cases about 85 percent of the coveted hospital beds in this state remain full certainly it's a major issue for voters here in wisconsin and we spoke with supporters of joe biden who came to vote this morning that said for them it was the critical issue but again also the economy also top of mind here in wisconsin of course but we are awaiting those results savannah now with the race shifting uh like like it has some more attention now placed in wisconsin we're expecting those results in the next several hours possibly by 5am savannah all right gabe thank you so much i was just looking over at chuck cause i wonder if anything's shaking well i saw this thing another news organization seemed to be um indicating some some movement toward the democrats and i just haven't seen it yet so i'm just we're still waiting for that vote in the atlanta way i mean literally atlanta hasn't moved um uh mayor what do we we've added one uh one percentage point in arizona in the last hour in trying to get vote so we are in that period of time where it's going to trickle in now rather than maybe like i said i do expect that one i was told we were gonna this one giant dump of milwaukee vote but late late tonight so that is something we're staying up for so put the pot of coffee on my son was just asking me why is everything too early to call it's after midnight i'm like why aren't you in bed it's actually it feels too late to call but i know the words too early anymore we're like wait it's late that's what he keeps ask him why he's up so late that's what i did that was my response tom brokaw's up nbc news senior correspondent veteran of more

than a half century of presidential elections tom brokaw joins us uh tom great to see you uh give us your observations of what we're seeing and versus uh what a lot of expectations were going into this night you know i've been covering presidential politics in this country since 1968 and i've seen a lot of changes i have

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and i've seen a lot of changes i have never seen the country as deeply and sharply divided as it is now and it's the second cycle of this kind of division with president trump surprising everybody the first time and fair to say surprising everyone a second time with his strong showing i think he made a very clever move in the last couple of weeks and what she said to the country go back to work it's time to get the economy going again the covet we're close to getting that solved so you can go back and earn some money and get your business going again i think it helped him a lot frankly people were wanting to hear that i also think over the course of the last year there's been some difficulty in if you will in the country about police shooting black people under circumstances that were indefensible and at the end of the episode there were a lot of white people who were supporting the black demonstrators until the black demonstrators kind of lost control and they were not just demonstrating anymore they were going into streets and they were robbing stores and they were tipping over cars and it went on most of the summer how much of that had to do with it i'm not sure but it was a long way from dr king who was so successful with a program of non-violence so how that played into all this i don't know but i think in the last couple of weeks that trump made a very clever move by saying you can go back to work he's dead wrong covert virus is going to get worse not better and in fact this country is going to be under the very dark cloud of that for the foreseeable future so however this turns out tonight uh we've got a lot of things to worry about in this country and the only way we're going to get them resolved is to find a way to work together we are confronting a lot of course there was a lot of peaceful passion in the streets tom thanks and we should note that while some uh important things have gone donald trump's way this is uh we are not

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donald trump's way this is uh we are not no one's near 270 right now so a lot to cover here a lot of votes to be counted yet break now decision 2020 election night coverage continues in just a moment you know that look that life of the party look walk it off look one more mile look reply all look own your look with fewer lines there's only one botox cosmetic it's the only one fda approved to temporarily make frown lines crow's feet and forehead lines look better the effects of botox cosmetic may spread hours to weeks after injection causing serious symptoms alert your doctor right away as difficulty swallowing speaking breathing eye problems or muscle weakness may be a sign of a life-threatening condition do not receive botox cosmetic if you have a skin infection side effects may include allergic reactions injection site pain headache eyebrow eyelid drooping and eyelid swelling tell your doctor about your medical history muscle or nerve conditions and medications including botulinum toxins as these may increase the risk of serious side effects so give that just a puffy look and whatever that look is look like you with fewer lines see results at botoxcosmetic.com imagine feeling fearless at the dentist imagine strengthening enamel while preventing cavities 70 percent act anti-cavity stop imagining start acting and get anti-cavity protection with our dye free ice formulas [Music] this is us is back this is what everyone is saying and this is just the beginning new this is us next tuesday on nbc

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new this is us next tuesday on nbc we all know making it in the bay can't be hard but for some it's even more difficult because of the color of their skin which is why we're featuring the determination and success of black owned businesses in our own communities it was a dream come true until we saw the line around the block and scared us it's a good way for us to kind of capture this moment you put these characters together they read love it's our job now to say we can do it and we can do it just as good to watch these stories just visit nbcbarry.com making it in the bay flooring ideas can be traditional contemporary or casual at the floor store we have whatever style you have in mind whether it's carpet hardwood tile or stone you can trust our in-home design consultants to be with you every step of the way and expect our certified professional installers

to complete the job right the first time because knowing where you walk should feel good the floor store your bay area flooring authority our pre-holiday sale is now 30 off everything in the store and installation before the holidays guaranteed did you know that geico's whole 15 minutes thing that came from me really my first idea was in one quarter of an hour your savings will tower over you figuratively speaking but that's not catty is it it's not gonna swim about in your brain so i thought what about 15 minutes 15 serendipity geico 15 minutes could save you 15 or more on car insurance and those are the states we await as decision 2020 election night rolls on there's a lot more votes to be counted and it's kind of a jump ball at this moment i look hugh hewitt said it he said coin flip i i think that's where i'm at right now i i i'm not ready to say i think i know anything about what we thought wisconsin and michigan do a lot of that early vote we still

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we still get counting but speaking of polling since there's a lot of people complaining about pollsters we're going to bring in ours let me bring in our bowling team republican poster bill mcintyre for public opinion strategies democratic pollsters peter hart and jeff horwit of heart research associates bill i'll start with you the three of you just put out an interesting memo essentially laying it out is sort of explaining and i guess bill explain it to us we we went into this race thinking it could be tighter in the battlegrounds but that biden was a clear favorite what did we miss or is it still too early to see what we missed well i think what we did uh including on your show meet the press on sunday we led with hey guess what for a race at nationally and by the way blind's going comfortably nationally this is very competitive and it's very competitive in the swing states and we talked about on sunday based on our polling based uh is that there is a white non-college voter across the industrial midwest in florida and north carolina where there were a lot of votes they said they're going to vote for trump by 30 plus points in election day the republican national committee spent a year to turn these people out and they've done that job they've produced those margins and they've made this a very very competitive race today but i think these are things we talked about on sunday that we were seeing and guess it could happen peter hart um i joked with my staff this this morning i told him about the 1976 race you know history says well of course jimmy carter won that race and of course a democrat took over after the the nixon ford era but that race closed dramatically fast and i think some some older viewers tonight might be having a flashback to that well it isn't 1976 actually it's 1968. uh there the country was badly divided over race over the war and essentially they

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race over the war and essentially they made a change in a narrow narrow uh win by uh richard nixon i think this election is very much the same voters are going to narrowly make a change but you're gonna have to wait and see at this stage no there's no doubt jeff horwit answer the critique of the polling community and i've been making it clear to folks internally that i think the the problem are these public state polls that sort of you know maybe besmirch the reputation of quality national polls uh or others but it does seem as if these state polls massively misled us yeah well i think we rightfully so as an industry we need to be judged by uh by the results and we will uh and that's important i do think uh it's important right now to keep perspective we have talked about how this election is being decided right two ways one on election day and one with voters who voted earlier by mail and those about votes in places like pennsylvania are in many places are yet to be counted so uh we should be judged we should be looked at that but there are two numbers that are important here one is that joe biden is leading nationally by over 1.1 million votes and that about one in four votes have not yet been counted so i think it's important to to make sure that we are uh looking at the industry as a whole and how the results come in but also as we've talked about it's important to be patient make sure the votes are counted and at the end of the day look at the at the end of the days when we're done with it i know where the winner is and have all the votes counted uh to look at the industry and see how we've done bill mcintyre do you have a theory on on what we're seeing in the sun belt uh and why the polling basically seemed to be i don't know anywhere from three to five points uh in air towards the democrats you mean are you telling arizona are you talking about sunbelt states i'm talking about north carolina florida in particular are the ones that stick out pretty clearly but i could

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stick out pretty clearly but i could throw in ohio in there if you'd like uh and a couple of other states we've seen there's a few things first uh white non-college men are voting for donald trump between 30 to 45 point margin that's a lot of margin and then also remember in florida the president president trump is something like 45 percent of hispanic vote a new record or a new high since george bush and there's even some states where he's picking up a list a little chunk of african-american not much but you know margins matter and so the coalition that trump said he would put together which is non-college whites especially men a little latino and some a very small amount of americans we sort of watched that happen tonight peter are we really starting to see um what could be a future what donald trump's putting together here um he's appealing to working-class men of all stripes uh that's what we're seeing i think in some of these latino numbers and some of these african-american numbers are the two parties going to start organizing themselves along those lines if somehow you take donald trump out of the equation when it comes to race well i think that's a good possibility but i think what stood out to me about the numbers tonight is that joe biden won the macro war in terms of communicating with voters and putting out the uh the parameters of the election but the micro war is clearly won by donald trump and that's made all the difference on election night we looked at the macro a lot was happening on the micro level all right i'm gonna leave it there for now we'll be checking back in because we're making you guys stay up but at least you get to be in your own homes i think when we make you stay up late jeff horwit uh bill mac and turf our chief pollsters on the nbc wall street journal poll and of course uh the indelible peter hart thank you gentlemen we are expecting joe biden to address supporters any moment now uh andrea got in a little more on that well just that there is some nervousness

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well just that there is some nervousness about pennsylvania still you know i know it's early and we don't have the early vote we have the day of vote but there's some nervousness there exit polling gives donald trump higher marks than four years ago on favorability considerably according to the exit polls that uh people view him 45 said their opinion of trump was favorable 53 said unfavorable that is a dramatic change according to the exit poll when it was 38 favorable 60 unfavorable so that's that's significant all right let's go to christian welker she's over at biden headquarters what are you hearing well savannah as you mentioned we are now waiting to hear from former vice president joe biden as this election hangs in the balance and i can tell you that things have really started to come to life here we're seeing more cars pull in i don't know if you can see behind me all of the lights but they are waiting to hear from their candidate the person who they voted for joe biden and it comes since we've been talking to campaign officials who say they are watching what is happening in arizona quite closely it is giving them encouragement they're also looking at georgia they're saying that they're not ready to give up on georgia but look one top aide told me their primary path has always been the blue wall michigan wisconsin and minnesota and another aide saying they are still confident that they're going to carry those three states so look if biden is able to pull off a win in arizona then if he sweeps those midwestern states he doesn't need to win pennsylvania on the other hand if he comes up short in arizona then he would need a victory in pennsylvania and that's part of why he spent so much time in pennsylvania even making stops there today fighting for every last vote so you see there the motorcade savannah heading from joe biden's home heading here uh we anticipate to speak we expect to hear from him uh within the next hour or so

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uh within the next hour or so as early as 15 minutes depending on how quickly he can get here uh and again we anticipate that he is going to address what we have all been talking about all night which is that there are still a number of states that are counting a number of states that he spent a lot of time campaigning in and this election hangs in the ballots all right thank you kristen hallie jackson is joining us now from the white house hallie how are they viewing a night in which there is as was pointed out earlier no red wave no blue wave right um just uh a lot of solid red and blue and a lot of i would say coffee and red bull probably lester because i think that's where i can tell you that when it comes to a state that kristen is talking about arizona a

state where the biden campaign is feeling pretty good based on the numbers there is immense frustration inside the the president's orbit that some networks not our network but another network has appeared to have called the race for joe biden there again not our call i want to be very clear about that but you are seeing a lot of consternation there is a sense among some folks in in the president's orbit that it is too early to make that call at this point but they are very engaged watching these numbers extremely closely in arizona why well because if in fact this lead that joe biden has hold holds rather and again i want to stress we haven't projected it's too early to call right now according to nbc news if the lead holds though it does narrow the president's path to victory uh and that is something that is really important for for the president and for for the campaign that they're that they're looking at obviously georgia is still outstanding and then those blue wall states that we're talking about here some optimism that we're hearing about uh in places like pennsylvania in places uh like wisconsin actually which is kind of interesting that is a shift at least from the conversations i've had from this morning to tonight i think the sense earlier in the day was that uh they they didn't think that wisconsin was going to be potentially a good state for the president but based on some of the the numbers that they're seeing come in that seems to have shifted i will say as we get ready to hear from former vice

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we get ready to hear from former vice president joe biden over in delaware we really haven't heard much from president trump at all he has not tweeted at least at last check about 45 seconds before i came on the air since the polls closed earlier this evening in some of those first states it is possible that we could hear from him here at the white house he has a number of supporters here family members cabinet officials who are in the white house behind me but other than you know some indications that he may speak we don't have anything definitive of when we might hear from president trump i think that corey lewandowski referenced that that the decision had not been made yet and i can tell you that when i asked one uh person close to the president earlier just a couple of hours ago if he would speak the answer was well if he wants to he will and if he doesn't he won't it's always up to the president as we often see in these instances guys and and hallie i this is probably a good time to point out as you point out that then sometimes there's differences in what's being reported out there uh folks need to understand that we are very very competitive but on nights like this uh when it comes to making these sorts of calls um you know we don't have a homily on this because of this early vote there's so many different things i mean uh you know the worst thing you can do is make a call and have to pull it too many variables and so we've lived in this network we lived through 2000 this was we had to pull a call nobody likes to pull a call like that so we've you know our guy john lipinski he said i'm not rushing anything if other news organizations want to race good luck because you're gonna you know you you could fall in your face just thought it was a good moment to get that out there yeah folks who understand that so uh let's bring in uh casey stacy uh yeah you know to to chime in on on the the call question and i think that's that's part of why the campaigns are so focused on these narratives right hallie was reporting that the president's team is frustrated that this call uh would be out there in the ether and that's because we are entering and we're going to hear from joe biden as well now we're entering the phase of the fight over the

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the phase of the fight over the narrative here this is we are heading into you know my sources on on both sides acknowledge a likely prolonged battle over counting votes and we will see if this comes down to a single state or place or if once we start to see the counting of the absentee and early votes in these states that aren't used to doing it on election night it becomes more clear comes into focus potentially joe biden holds that blue wall and the conversation changes but the president has been pretty straightforward about raising questions about counting the votes you know the way that he has framed uh how he is going to pursue uh potentially trying to stop vote counting etc in some of these places i mean he's he has not held back from that and the biden campaign knows that this is very important i mean they have been talking to reporters at four months about what a quote unquote they they often refer to it as a red mirage what it might look like if it seems as though president trump is ahead here but what really needs to happen to put biden in

the lead is the steady and probably slow counting of all of these ballots and that's potentially what makes what he says tonight uh so important in terms of of framing this race for his supporters but also for a potential legal battle that could ensue and again you know part of the framing of this i think part of what democrats were really hoping for going into tonight is that what we would see across the map would be a clear rebuke from voters to president trump something that would give the court system judges considering any potential cases here uh messages you know from members of congress that that that this would be something where the president was clearly rejected and everyone was going to be on the same page about that reality that is simply not the case here i mean we are shaping up to potentially have exactly the same uh control of the senate we're going to have a few wild card races out there but you know right now if we if we look at colorado and likely uh

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we if we look at colorado and likely uh arizona as two uh losses for republicans we're looking on the flip side uh at doug jones in alabama i'm still watching michigan although we've got a ways to go there but if if democrats were to lose that race the senate race in michigan which some of my sources are saying is a possibility that's two for two we're still left with the same uh situation that we have if everything else holds and that's really what we're seeing we're seeing things hold more steady than we perhaps anticipated based on some of this polling so this again not the scenario that democrats wanted to try and had wanted to head into this potentially protracted battle over votes uh with this kind of standing samantha can you say thanks yeah i divided country votes in a divided fashion what are you looking at well you've been asking for these individual electoral votes uh and you know what i finally got some i got some numbers for you and so overall in nebraska 74 of the vote is in we got quite a bit of the vote in in um nebraska too that's what's blue there i mean it's not i'll show you the results that biden's got a 10 point lead i can tell you this the congressional race in that which is a swing congressional race is neck and neck so biden is way over performing the democrat trump is underperforming the republican nominee or day at this point because of the way our system works on the district that i can't tell you from here but i can just tell you it went back one too many here as you can see um it's mostly today's vote so already that's a strong indication there that that one electoral vote which we thought was going to lean by and it does let me give you a little update here in maine so you can see that electoral we've got half the vote in look you can see there's still a lot of vote that needs to come in let me show you where things stand in main two here a minute this big red blob is main two and again we got a good half of the vote here but you can see uh i believe there we go in the second district trump is ahead by 13 000 votes this is a very rural

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13 000 votes this is a very rural uh congressional district we shall see i mean it looks pretty clear that biden's going to win the other three but they could split it one and one every vote happened in 2016. i think biden needs every electoral vote he can get uh and so does and so does trump so they're both going to need these individual votes one quick fact about omaha and nebraska is remember what happened that night for three hours after the president went all the way to omaha just to go for that electoral vote the people were left at that rally for three hours in sub-freezing weather including a lot of elderly people because the buses weren't there and so the president left and so there was a whole lot of negative publicity after he went all that way you know late at night there was a lot of negative reaction to the trump rally you don't know how it's going to turn out but that was a real downer all right we've got some some new information coming in let's look at minnesota where uh it's too early to call but we can now characterize this as biden leading in minnesota all right let's go to new hampshire we're projecting that joe biden will take new hampshire another northeast state going in his direction colorado formerly red then purple now blue joe biden takes colorado georgia looking for some of that atlanta vote right now that's too early to call north carolina is too close to call florida this is one we have been watching since early in the evening an important lead trump lead uh right now in florida but we are still calling that one too close to call these are both a couple of races where we're being very cautious in arizona it's too early to call we await more vote but biden is leading there michigan too early

right now said to be waiting for a lot of a mail-in vote in michigan to be counted in texas it's too early to call but trump has jumped out to a lead in texas and in wisconsin it is too early to call as well all right let's look at iowa uh

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as well all right let's look at iowa uh too early to call montana too early as well all right let's roll onto nevada that one is too early to call as well so let's see where it all lands in the map and the road to 270. we're starting to fill it out let's see uh and so far again we i don't think we've had any big shockers yet we're still fighting over the battlegrounds and it may get that way until the wee hours of the morning we've got another senate race we can take for a reason yeah battlegrounds are battling a senate race we can tell you about uh mark warner uh the democrat will hold on to his seat in virginia that was expected so let's put up the map and see a pretty shot of the united states capital and it remains divided we'll see how it all shakes out but it may be a while because we've got a couple of georgia races going to runoffs now and in the house we have projected here at nbc that the democrats will retain control question is whether they will gain or lose seats the republicans being above 200 i talked to a republican official about this literally last over the weekend who said gosh we just hope to be at 185 190 house seats anything 200 plus this is gravy for them look tonight's election i mean this is this does feel a lot like to me like 2000 2004 meaning very evenly divided every individual state is kind of a knife fight um and it's you know where it feels as if the battleground map we're about to see develop here maybe a battleground map like the 2000 battleground map that is just etched in our minds we're getting word uh that former vice president biden has arrived now uh let's go to kristen welker uh we expect to hear from vp we do lester and you can see the lights from his motorcade that has just arrived so i anticipate we are in within just a few minutes from hearing from vice president biden and i think casey really hit the nail on the head i

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casey really hit the nail on the head i think you are going to hear biden try to rally his supporters to try to prepare them for what now seems like it's going to be a somewhat likely protracted battle for him to get to the white house there's going to be some counting that goes on in the next few days but i anticipate that we will hear a measured optimism from the former vice president when he addresses the crowd here it is worth noting that what you are seeing is a drive-in event here and this is characteristic biden this is what has really been the hallmark of his campaign and how he has chosen to run this campaign socially distant people now getting out of their cars as you can see but largely socially distant uh and that is a part of his key message he has run this campaign around the issue of fighting kovat19 trying to make the case that he's the best candidate to fight covid saying that yes we're going to get the economy back on track but in order to do it we have to address the virus so we gotta we gotta cut you off because we've got a big call to make it's official now nbc projects florida goes to president donald trump we've been watching this all night we've been very careful but this is gonna go into the trump column an absolute must win for him look at the difference 387 380 000 votes let me go back here and take you back very quickly to miami-dade just to remind you where there was 300 000 votes um two cycles ago so as we see the difference was that let's go so joe biden wanted by 83 000. hillary clinton won it by nearly 300 000. so you want to know where 200 of the 300 000 votes is it's sitting in miami-dade county so there's no doubt miami-dade county even as you know he could feel good he added i mean osceola county i think that's an addition in here if i will no not quite a flip county never mind that but this miami-dade story is is you know it may be a unicorn and maybe all those things but as we saw

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maybe all those things but as we saw with we've seen it with uh some hispanic men as well in other states this latino thing is is an issue here um for the democrats look it's interesting and you wonder if joe biden doesn't improve with older white voters that's kept him in this race we'd be talking about boy democrats really have to get their base out and and it this was something that people were whispering out which bring about

quite a bit and this was the downside of doing a virtual campaign well i have to tell you casey this is not something that was unremarked upon down in south florida there were folks who were biden supporters sounding the alarm about this very issue interesting to see in florida biden actually did win some of the swing districts then pinellas county for example this one of the swingiest counties in florida he prevailed there but it's miami-dade that ultimately sunk his chances in florida yeah that's right savannah and i actually i've neglected to mention that my grandparents live in pinellas county so you can drive down the street down in the i-4 corridor and wave to chuck's mom on their way by in orlando um the the issue with latinos that that democrat that's playing out particularly in florida it's particularly acute there for all the reasons that we have talked about and there's a couple house races down there too that democrats might lose because of this problem it is huge and and it was clearly something where they they neglected to to really pay attention and engage and my sources are saying they would have had to do this potentially years ago this is something that the trump campaign has been working on uh for a long time uh but you know we'll have to see if it plays out across the map we gotta catch off right there we wanna live in this moment this is uh wilmington delaware joe biden about to come out and address his supporters

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good evening your patience is commendable we knew this was going to go wrong but who knew we're going to go into maybe tomorrow morning maybe even longer but look we feel good about where we are we really do [Music] i'm here to tell you tonight we believe we're on track to win this election [Applause] we knew because of the unprecedented early vote in the mail-in vote that's going to take a while we're going to have to be patient until we uh the hard work of tallying the votes is finished and it ain't over until every vote is counted every ballot is counted but we're feeling good we're feeling good about where we are we believe one of the nets has suggested we've already won arizona but we're confident about arizona that's a turnaround we also just called it from minnesota and we're still in the game in georgia although that's not what we expected we're feeling real good about wisconsin and michigan and by the way it's going to take time to count the votes we're going to win pennsylvania i'm going to talk to folks in philly allegheny county scranton and they're really encouraged by the turnout and what they see look you know we can know the results as early as tomorrow morning but it may take a little longer as i've said all along it's not my place or donald trump's place to declare who's won this election that's the decision of the american people

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decision of the american people but i'm optimistic about this outcome i want to thank every one of you who came out and voted in this election and by the way chris coons and the democrats congratulations here in delaware [Applause] hey john the gov yeah like the whole team man you've done a great job i'm grateful to the poll workers to our volunteers our canvassers everyone who participated in this democratic process and i'm grateful to all of my supporters here in delaware and all across the nation thank you thank you thank you and folks you heard me say it before every time i walk out of my grandpa's house up in scranton he yelled joey keep the faith and my grandmom when she's live y'all know joey spread it keep the faith guys we're going to win this thank you thank you thank you your patience is great let's walk over here uh joe biden uh cheering up his supporters a little pep talk in what's now really become a game of expectations i think we're we're at this point um we're both candidates trying to set the ex expectations as to where we're going next let's go to uh kristen welker at biden headquarters uh talk about the timing of this and uh and and what led up to it well to some extent this may have been strategic here you have joe biden the first person to speak tonight and his message was one of optimism and he leaned into what he feels are going to be pick-off states arizona he predicts he will ultimately carry and he went on to say he believes they're on track to win the election he might be he's wrapping up now again lester i wanted to give him a chance to finish what he was saying but

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finish what he was saying but his message and his tone really underscoring i think the confidence that we've heard within the campaign throughout this day and throughout this evening they ultimately feel as though their wall in the midwest their blue wall will hold and of course if they can pick off arizona that would be a big prize for them that would be an upset for president trump and so you heard that type of confidence reflected what he also did was to prepare his supporters for the fact that there is going to be a path ahead that some of these votes are still being counted he said we might not know the results until tomorrow and of course it could be even after that and so this was a way for the vice president to get out in front on the messaging and remember it does come against the backdrop of these reports which the president did deny but that he was thinking about potentially declaring victory tonight no matter what the results showed so this was potentially a way of preempting that to strike a note of confidence and to send that message to his supporters they're still in this fight and chuck mr biden also noted uh what helps is going to be a success in arizona he also mentioned georgia look um let me tell you let me tell you what we're looking we're our models indicate we're waiting basically for a lot of atlanta still a lot of vote there a lot of vote in atlanta enough that our models right now we would have it if it goes the way we think it could go maybe a tenth of a percentage point will separate them when all the votes are counted that's why we're not anywhere near calling it we want to wait to see what this atlanta number comes in but george is another one that we're we're going to sit here for a while well if you were wondering whether now that we've heard from vice president joe biden we'll hear from president trump we've heard from him on twitter hallie he must have heard you saying that you hadn't been tweeting all night but now he has tweeted uh he says we are up big but they are trying to steal the election we will never let them do it votes cannot be cast after the polls are

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votes cannot be cast after the polls are closed of course there is absolutely no evidence that any votes were cast after the polls were closed here we go so savannah here's what we know the president is going to be making a statement at some point tonight i got to tell you i am not surprised at all to see it this is a president who we know is extremely engaged in what he's seeing on television and for him to see joe biden come out and make remarks in front of that crowd in delaware uh i would have been shocked if the president didn't come out and talk in front of his supporters i've just been curious because it's interesting that he says they're trying to steal the election does that suggest he doesn't think they're winning so i i think that what we're going to hear from president trump is something similar to what i think some folks had been concerned about might happen and something that the president has been alluding to now for a while which is a question he has been saying repeatedly now that he wants to see results sort of finalized on november 3rd or i guess in the morning hours of november 4th right now we need to be really clear here right full election results are not certified on election night ever right ballot there has to be a process that goes through we use this phrasing here on nbc news all the networks do that is very careful we call them projected winners right because that is what we are projecting nothing is sort of set in stone for usually you know days after the election anyway not in 2020 not just in in 2016 but in any election really and this is something that i think chuck and our team can speak more to but the president has been very clear that he is concerned about what happens if in fact as the case is that we're in right now the vote count stretches past tonight now it is not surprising that the vote count is stretching past night in fact we have been talking about it for weeks why because of the coronavirus pandemic and because there is so much uh early vote that came in so many ballots that were mailed in that just takes a while to count it takes longer to count and there are rules in different states different rules in different states about when you can start processing and counting those ballots this is where i think a lot of folks expected us to be here at 12 50 in the

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expected us to be here at 12 50 in the morning you know on election night or the morning of november 4th i guess i do think that it is going to be critical to put into context whatever we might hear from the president and this tweet alludes to it right putting out claims that are not backed up claims that are not verified this is something we have seen from the president on twitter before to the point where the social media company has actually put warnings on some of the things that the president was saying because it was essentially

misinformation and had the potential to be disinformation there so i do think that there is going to be some sort of care and context that we're going to put in place around whatever the president says i will say and as we talked about it a little bit ago there is real concern and i think anger inside the president's orbit about certain calls that have been made not by our network by other networks there is a sense that perhaps some calls are being made too early i'm specifically talking about for example arizona i would not be surprised to hear the president mention that uh when he does come out and address his supporters in the east room i think that the the campaign is feeling better than they thought they were going to feel about states like pennsylvania you heard joe biden very definitively say that they were playing they thought they could win there but i think the trump campaign um andrea oh trump we got a call and then i'm coming to you yeah we got a call in iowa yes nbc news projects that uh donald trump will win the six electoral votes in iowa okay so andrea that's what i find to be so perplexing about this tweet because here the trump campaign's having a much better night than it expected to have and now the president is signaling through this tweet by saying they're trying to steal it etc etc that he doesn't feel that they're going to win i do i don't understand how that this is what he has been saying every single day that it's not right that the supreme court let pennsylvania start counting tomorrow really tonight and tomorrow that three days this but there are mike mamalee who has covered the biden campaign forever has spoken on the record and gotten from senator bob casey exactly what i have been hearing from others not on the record so we couldn't report

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not on the record so we couldn't report it that joe biden has been calling around he's very nervous about how slow the count is in several of the big counties in pennsylvania coming in in pennsylvania in pennsylvania so he's been calling around and according to senator bob casey speaking to mike mamily according to mike's note that biden was calling casey and checking him why are these counties like some of the philadelphia suburbs not reporting why why is this so slow so it is that early vote factor but also you know he himself is getting nervous that's why joe biden came out because he anticipated exactly what the president did which was a tweet saying that the vote is being stolen starting to change the narrative and biden with the optimism and telling people to be patient was trying to at least capture that mood but privately he is calling people elected officials and former officials in key camp that's what's so interesting about it here you have biden who who according to this reporting is a bit nervous about the race and then at the same time hallie you've got the president yeah signaling publicly that he's nervous about the race because he's now saying they're stealing it which suggests he thinks he's losing so you know we're trying to put all these pieces together um do you have any insight into what's going on back there let me try to provide some clarity here savannah on this because i think you you raised sort of this important point here and the answer that i would provide to you here based on sort of my years covering president trump and talking to people in his orbit there are a lot of times when the president's public messaging is different from the messaging that we are getting behind the scenes from people around him and there have been many instances in which the people around the president his aides his allies his advisors have encouraged him to perhaps move in a different direction when it comes to the messaging than the direction the president ultimately goes in this is a president who in the closing days of this campaign ran uh and rallied supporters largely on a message of grievance right and that is something

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of grievance right and that is something that we are seeing the president's tweet tonight despite the rest of the stuff that we're hearing behind the scenes i think this really illustrates what we sometimes have seen in covering this president which is a dichotomy between what he is saying and what he is thinking and feeling versus sort of the strategy behind the scenes from the people around him let's go to uh chuck who's at the board to show us kind of where things stand right yeah i want to first go through the rust belt and then i'll do a quick update in georgia as you can see here minnesota we're getting up to 80 and this double digit lead is not disappearing it may get closer as these remaining votes come in but it's hard to imagine that the president is going to get minnesota let me take you to wisconsin what's interesting here is that our models indicate if if the early vote goes way we think it's going to go we certainly don't believe this is going to be a

race that somehow joe biden could win by seven or nine points which is most of the of the polling but we're looking at a race that we think is going to be in the two-point range but we'll see and i'll look at here he's got 113 000 vote lead and again let me just take you to one county here milwaukee we still have two-thirds of the vote that's coming out and it's my under our understanding i think we've talked about this sometime after 4 a.m we're going to get the milwaukee county dump and that's going to tell us a lot but again this has all been election day vote so far um in milwaukee and and a lot of it there now we'll go to michigan and we have the the the same issue here uh and i'll just bring it up again still mostly same day vote not as much of that early vote yet and as you've seen as stuff just trickled in the trump lead has narrowed a little bit and then i'll quickly let me go over here to pennsylvania as you can see here we're still and let me just show you here this is almost all today vote we're now at this point sorry yesterday vote um we only have a little bit of that early vote and look let's let's go around here you can see here's chester county he's got 70 in this is swing county we'll see when it all comes in here andrea montgomery county we still got a lot of vote there um delaware county 59

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there um delaware county 59 reporting and of course philadelphia county we still have half the vote to come in so this is why very quietly the democrats are actually i don't want to say they're not they're nervous but they feel like they know how they think they know they're going to win these states they feel good about their early vote but you know they also felt good about uh about north carolina let me take you to georgia this the president had over 300 000 uh vote lead when this was at about 75 percent and it's been just trickling in and it's all coming from here i told you before our models indicate that when it's all comes in and the last vote to come in is going to be it looks like atlanta the atlanta area that we expected to be less than a percentage point in fact one of our models has it one tenth of a percent around but let me just take you around what we got here they're still got more than a quarter of the vote out in fulton county that is atlanta here's the cab you still got two-thirds of the vote out there we expect again we expect joe biden to really run up the score here in these in these counties here's gwinnett still about a quarter of the vote a little less than that where are we here i just gave you to fulton there's cobb we still got 20 percent of the vote here so this is why we haven't called georgia and this is why you don't hear people ready to spike the football on the republican side either everybody knows atlanta's coming in and the question is it's sort of is it gonna is it gonna shrink and just make it really close or could be looking at recount territory i can tell you this we're looking up three count rules what is i was about to ask you that i'm in the middle of it my team was a threshold i i just i just they're they're all over this okay in fact maybe by the time i get back here uh i'll find out so there because if a race is in any given state is within a certain threshold you have to automatic here i can tell you our initial folks here it's not automatic so this would be something that somebody would have to request okay let's bring in a couple of our guests i

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let's bring in a couple of our guests i think we've got robert gibbs nbc news political analyst and former white house press secretary under president obama and rich lowry an nbc news political analyst editor of the national review uh robert let me start with you your uh former press secretary let me let you step into our shoes write the headline of this night so far well i think the headline is uh we we we know a lot less than we thought or hoped we'd know at this point uh you know the race is still very much up in the air but uh look i i'm i'm i'm where biden is right now i think there's a lot more paths for him to win this race i think there's two big states that you just talked about arizona and georgia that that those open up very decidedly different paths and multiple paths for biden they really really push uh trump into having to really run the table and and i i don't know i think those two states are going to be the big two next states we're going to see these upper midwestern states come in as chuck and and others have talked about maybe maybe ahead of the today show but it's going to be a while drink when someone says the today show oh we'd be hammered at this point that's not a good idea i know uh what do you what do you think we saw joe biden come out we've seen a tweet from president trump and he's also indicated that he will also address the cameras um the battle of perception right now yeah it's it's the beginning of the post game jousting and uh i i do think we should

should pause though and just remark on the fact there's a president united states who's never been above 50 job approval in the polls who's had controversy after controversy basically daily for the entirety of his presidency and is knocking on the door and i don't i'm not predicting he's going to get through that door but is knocking on the door of reelection that's an extraordinary fact and that really goes to his astonishing power as a campaigner and i think what gives republicans hope about those blue wall states if you look at florida the polling average uh final polling average had trump

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uh final polling average had trump losing two to three points he won by two to three points look at ohio final polling average had trump winning by point eight percent the polling average he's last time i looked he was winning by eight percent so if you get that kind of polling average in michigan and pennsylvania it's very easy to see how trump wins and then just final point chuck earlier was talking about that nebraska's second district that awards one electoral vote and joe biden is winning in if joe biden put georgia aside assume trump holds on if biden wins arizona and wins that district in nebraska winning pennsylvania is not enough for trump in that circumstance he'd have to win pennsylvania and michigan to get over the top so it just goes to what a near-run thing this is now that one electoral vote could make a big difference that's so 20 20. it also explains why the white house is so heated about any call it perceives as premature of the the state of arizona which bears repeating who knew leaving people outdoors in omaha could cost you the pressure nbc news has not rejected arizona other than to say that biden is leading but we it's too early richard robert thank you thanks guys uh casey well i mean i i'm not gonna lie i have uh considered the 269 to 269 electoral college vote 2020 nightmare scenario because it's 2020. obviously that's what would happen based on everything else that's happened this year but all kidding aside you know i i do think that the focus on on georgia is correct at this hour my sources in in both parties are starting to focus on that because that data is starting to come in republicans feel much better about the senate race there than they do about the presidential race and chuck made the point the question is how close is that going to be and the reality here is that if in fact you know we talked a little earlier in the night about how we're how we're entering the the narrative setting phase of this campaign and the fact that democrats don't feel

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democrats don't feel as strong about it they will feel much stronger about it if they can point to arizona and georgia as examples of places where the suburbs moved decisively for them if their advantage spreads out farther across the map that is going to make it a lot easier for them to make the case that it is very clear who is the winner of this election and and to your point savannah i think that's part of why you're seeing the president and his team uh be so uh pugnacious frankly about trying to make sure that these kinds of things do not get out into the ether because this is going to be this kind of narrative fight going forward and just to button up with the the nightmare scenario i have been having a couple conversations with democrats who are looking at the map nervous about that and starting to think about okay what if we do end up with a tie what if we go to the house of representatives then it's decided by house delegations so each state gets a vote if if texas for example is controlled by republicans the delegation likely would cast their vote for donald trump does that put us in a scenario where democrats not focusing enough on the house of representatives heading into this perhaps being overconfident on that map uh come back to bite them um i i honestly i'm not ready for for any of this at least not until we have uh some more drinks let me go to andrea who's been watching the president's latest well on the president's latest tweet saying that the election is being stolen twitter has flagged it saying some or all of the content shared in this tweet is disputed and might be misleading about an election or other civic process so probably the line asserting that there were ballots cast after election day exactly there's no i apologize i've had the 269 269 as my phone's screensaver for not a month it's your i really have and it's like i however i had it a slightly different scenario i'll admit that we're going to banish it if it gets close yeah all right we're going to take this nerd hour here as we get into the wee hours are you trying to yeah complimenting me right no i take it as a compliment it's still not an insurer slaves yet so

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insurer slaves yet so no more decision 2020 election night coverage a little punchy but we'll continue it's my 912 no days off migraine medicine it's ubravi for any time anywhere my grain strikes without worrying if it's too late or where i am one dose can quickly stop migraine in its tracks within two hours unlike older medicines ubrelvi is a pill that directly blocks cgrp protein believed to be a cause of migraine do not take with strong sip3a4 inhibitors most common side effects were nausea and tiredness ask about you breathy the anytime anywhere migraine medicine brushing only reaches 25 of your mouth listerine cleans virtually 100 helping to prevent gum disease and bad breath never settle for 25 percent always go for 100 bring out the bold all otc pain relievers including volterran have one thing in common none are proven stronger or more effective against pain than salonpas patch large their surprising power in this patch salon pass dependable powerful relief [Music] ocean spray works with nature every day to keep you healthy this is why we no longer have to worry flushing too much toilet paper will back up our system but dad red x contains billions of enzymes proven to break down even paper to help keep your whole septic system healthy for paper grease or waste breakdown use red x it's an epic ending to an unforgettable season i'm gonna win it she looks unstoppable our first power tower champion can't take it you're new american ninja warrior

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you're new american ninja warrior they're the kind of storms that wreck your day or worse when nbc bay area detects dangerous or disruptive weather heading towards your neighborhood we're tracking it on storm ranger we declare a microclimate weather alert and that means you'll get live updates every 30 minutes on tv continuous coverage on social media and online plus weather warnings based on your location from the nbc bay area app when storms hit an nbc bay area microclimate weather alert keeps you prepared bubbles at this price is this for real no it's real believe me i mean this is unexpected you would say remarkable absolutely deal thanks i get that all the time wait what grocery outlet bargain market it's grocery outlet's 20 off wine sale going on now till november 10th please drink responsibly enjoy big savings during man city sleep world's largest mattress sale i'm randy mancini and now is the perfect time to purchase a sealy 50th anniversary mattress as you'll save a thousand dollars now only 6.99 plus receive free white glove delivery to your doorstep or bedroom we'll set up your new mattress and take away your old one purchase online by phone with a sleep consultant or just come into one of our 33 safe and clean showrooms so you can try it before you buy it visit us at sleepworld.com [Music] welcome back on this wednesday here on the east coast in our continuing coverage of the 2020 election uh results we're going to show you uh where things stand right now here's what uh the in the florida presidential vote uh nbc news projects that donald trump will win florida's electoral votes if we're starting to get some of the battlegrounds in ohio the president took ohio 18 electoral votes

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president took ohio 18 electoral votes into his column and let's look at iowa trump projected winner in iowa six electoral votes texas too early to call trump leads however well i'm just sorry in my ear as those words came out of my mouth uh trump now is the projected winner in texas again trump now the projected winner in the state of texas all right in minnesota it is too early to call but we can say that joe biden is leading in that state in arizona it is too early to call but again it appears that joe biden has taken a lead there georgia is the curious one that we're watching right now as chuck keeps pointing out waiting for those numbers those votes to come out of the atlanta area but right now we characterize it as too early north carolina is too close to call let's go to pennsylvania it is too early to call we await mail-in ballots there which can arrive up to three days after election day if they are postmarked election day here's the presidential race in montana it's too early to call waiting for votes there but the president has a lead maine is too early michigan also too early that's part of what democrats hope will be that blue wall michigan yeah we talked about that wisconsin's the other one too early to call where waiting votes in milwaukee county which is a big one for joe biden if he hopes to pull that one out and in nevada too early to call and alaska is too early to call so where does this lead us let's show you the electoral map at this hour the road to 270 and it's got uh donald trump now out front with 209

electoral votes to 205 for biden i'm gonna i'm gonna start off by apologizing it's after one o'clock in the morning and i might be attempting to ask people to do some math on their own um so i apologize for that at 1am but i want to show you here here's the georgia statewide totals and you're trying to figure out why haven't we closed george and i told you um what we're looking at as you see right now we're waiting there's 85 percent of the vote is in we are waiting the the

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of the vote is in we are waiting the the difference statewide 236 000 votes so let's for instance let's go here to cab county right now you see there's there's a hundred thousand vote margin now let me just take you back here four years ago and hillary clinton got a 200 vote margin out of here so all right add up 100 there's 100 000 potential voters that net for joe biden that could eat into that lead so there's one there i'll give you that let's go to fulton county he's got here 181 000 let's see what hillary clinton did here in this case he's likely to get a a bigger number out of there so i don't know if there's new vote to be gained here but he but turnout is above so we'll see maybe there's a little bit there let's go in to cobb this was another one that hillary clinton carried but you see joe biden is carrying it by a bigger margin we still got more to come in he's got to increase that lead more there so look as you can see there are the there are theoretically the numbers are there for joe biden as these numbers come in uh but we'll see like it all is going to depend this is all going to be on the margins but this is going to shrink you're going to continue to see this number shrink as the night goes on and it's just all about is there enough is there 240 000 votes somehow more so that he can make up here we found at least 100 a plus that you see is there so this is why we think this race is going to be one we have to wait till are they still counting in georgia to your knowledge okay supposedly still counting i think we had to find out by the way because you guys asked you shall receive here's the georgia uh recount rules no automatic automatic recount you have to petition but only if it's less than a half a percentage point difference uh at the end of the day so that's what you're looking at there so we will wait and see uh for a while so if if if georgia breaks uh biden's weight how how much does that change that would

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how how much does that change that would change the path to 270 a lot like here's here's where we are now we got the president with a narrow lead so we can play the game here first of all let's go ahead if you gave uh arizona and nevada to the president you you do georgia there then suddenly the numbers first of all let me give north carolina is certainly leaning in that direction minnesota leading in biden's direction as you can see here it takes pennsylvania off the table right georgia would definitely take pennsylvania off the table and frankly um one of the things that uh we messed up we just now called looks like we finally called rhode island we hadn't called rhode island people had been wondering we just called i just saw the blue got filled in there's rhode island there um but we still haven't called maine but let's put it in the uh let's let's do the three to one split there because we know that uh president trump is winning that second congressional district so as you can see georgia certainly um you take it away and then suddenly he needs he's going to need to get back over here and need need some of these statements okay stay with me no hawaii is you know hawaii here uh is blue and then you have the nebraska district would get him to 270. sorry i had to get you there but the point is he can get to 270 now without pennsylvania and that's it was the point rich lowry was trying to make there's that but obviously if you throw georgia somehow went blue um then there's a lot more padding in fact i think it means he wouldn't even he could do it without michigan and pennsylvania and so a long way to answer your question lester georgia would replace michigan i have one more so so if georgia then be georgia goes red okay how does that change the president's path does he still have to go all the way to pennsylvania the president has to go although it looks like no i think the problem he's got now right we've assigned this alaska let's go ahead and give that to the president that's now no shoe-in we got to wait here on that but if you see her pennsylvania is not enough pennsylvania would leave him for short he needs something else here he would need perhaps michigan would do it or wisconsin would do it but the president may be in a position he

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the president may be in a position he needs two of those three of the blue wall states uh not just one of them so that is something that with arizona and look we don't know what nevada is going to do i'm with you savannah i think we got to wait and see what nevada's going to do we've seen the president has improved particularly with working-class voters when when the country has a cold nevada gets the flu they want to go to work they don't like this what's happened there so i am very curious to see the actual returns come into nevada before we start projecting the exit polls tell us that nevadans were more focused on they were evenly split if you remember yeah they were improving business versus correct i mean but you know no state has been hit harder uh economically i mean think about it who's getting on airplanes and traveling to vegas i was i was there uh you know last week and uh you know still plenty of tourists but no conventions very few shows open uh i mean confession i think it might be the last time i was on a plane is when we were out there and for vegas to do some debates yeah way back when back with it we we knew about the virus but it had not had not uh swept half of us were convinced that somehow how did we avoid not getting in vegas during february it stayed in vegas uh okay let's go to some boards here we've got montana's presidential race and we're calling it for president trump no surprise there uh rhode island chuck scooped us lester it showed up i was about to look for all the news yes exactly and in maine it's too early to call but biden is leading although there is that one electoral vote in maine that possibly the president could pick up and in that scenario of an electoral tie that could become extremely relevant so there's your map at this hour 115 on the east coast the road to 270 it's filling out but we've got some key battlegrounds still open at this hour why don't we bring in nbc news political contributor and co-host of the circus on showtime john heilemann into the conversation john it is uh it's great to see you um well you just saw hopefully you just saw uh chuck's breakdown what do you think about uh georgia

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well i think uh the the new york times is reporting that there is a water line a water main break uh in atlanta in fulton county uh that means that they have said that they are not going to have a final count until tomorrow morning at the earliest so that's the first thing if that new york times report is correct we're going to be waiting for a while on georgia i do think that you know chuck is laying out a scenario that uh that is as he looks at those counties that have not come all the way in he's making a very strong point and i you know of all the stories of the last week you guys uh the last week of the campaign the the only of the of the non-core six battleground states the real six battleground states michigan wisconsin pennsylvania north carolina florida and arizona those six states that both campaigns spent money in and fought in all year long the story of the last seven days was georgia uh there was people who fantasized about texas including me um about whether the all the early vote meant something was changing in texas there were good theories of the case and you explored all these second tier battleground states but in georgia there was something really was going on and you could see the biden campaign went in there late they spent money there late barack obama did his penultimate event of the campaign in atlanta uh that this was a state that looked there was a growing conventional wisdom among on both sides i will say not just for democrats but republicans that joe biden was would have a better chance at taking georgia than taking florida and as we sit here now that piece of conventional wisdom has proven true donald trump was stronger in florida in 2020 than he was in 2016 and it is still the case that joe biden could win georgia and nbc news has been smart to not do what some others did earlier this evening and looked at some of that early return and said oh you know george is going to go to donald trump we're seeing that right the longer this night goes on the better that state looks for joe biden that's not to say he's going to win it but he's still in it and we might not know about that one just like we're not going to know possibly about wisconsin michigan and pennsylvania

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wisconsin michigan and pennsylvania for at least another 24 hours maybe longer speaking of you know we've also held our fire on arizona because we're awaiting vote there and doug ducey who is the governor of arizona tweeted a little earlier this evening it's far too early to call the election in arizona election day votes are not fully reported and we haven't even started to count early ballots that were dropped off at the polls in arizona we protected election day let's count the votes all the votes before making declarations so interesting

to see it looks like it's going to be a pause in arizona potentially no call tonight but the governor there indicating not only are they counting election day votes but when people brought their early ballots straight to the polls that that they still need to count those as well john thanks very much good to talk to you we're going to take a break be back with more decision 2020 election night coverage after this short break through the walk of life walgreens has always been there to help make life easier and now we're doing the same with medicare so you can easily find the best most affordable plan for you visit walgreens.com medicare to get started walgreens we make medicare easy [Music] irresistibly smooth chocolate [Music] made to melt you lindor by the lint master chocolatier america america america this election season

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america america this election season there are a lot of issues worth debating but please don't drink a debate politics don't drink and debate who won the debates don't drink and debate how we're going to vote this year but please do vote don't drink and bring up gerrymandering jared where's jerry and if there's anything smirnoff knows for sure don't ever drink and bring up russia just drink water instead smear it off drink responsibly debate responsibly in an election like no other turn to nbc news for in-depth coverage can you pledge transparency about your health would you like to see roe versus wade overturned for the election of a lifetime turn to nbc news we're the countless brothers we focus on high-end luxury real estate in san francisco bay area [Music] we blend the old school methodologies of selling with that new school flavor [Music] the canlas brothers the standard results driven real estate flooring ideas can be traditional contemporary or casual at the floor store we have whatever style you have in mind whether it's carpet hardwood tile or stone you can trust our in-home design consultants to be with you every step of the way and expect our certified professional installers to complete the job right the first time because knowing where you walk should feel good the floor store your bay area flooring authority our pre-holiday sale is now 30 off everything in the store and installation before the holidays guaranteed welcome back to nbc news election night coverage 2020 election a lot of things in play right now we're still waiting on some big battleground states uh but a lot of different possibilities

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uh but a lot of different possibilities beginning to open up let's go first to uh chuck who's looking at some of those possibilities yeah let's go i mean we just want to keep checking in i mean i think that's you know i know where everybody else is we're down i feel like we we we've got this down to uh it's right where we said it was going to be focus on the battleground states we told you they were going to be right these these the these three wisconsin michigan and pennsylvania let's just get a check in here this is just incremental as you can see and again it's almost all today's vote very little coming in let's just check to see how we're doing still no nothing new out of philadelphia andrea we're sitting at the same number we were a half hour ago so we got nothing there let's go to michigan to see how things coming i can tell you that um dante chine who is a a michigan native or data guy he's looked in here and he does he doesn't see things that look great for trump and what's come in which means that you know this could be when everything comes in this is why there's a lot of bullishness among democrats that when the when the early voting again we've barely touched the early vote here as you can see yellow is today's vote um the orange is when we get that and we know michigan the michigan secretary of state told me this it was going to be two to three days period on michigan but the modeling right now does still favor biden for what it's worth on that front uh and i know everybody's thinking polls modeling i'm not believing any of this stuff i get it but i'm just letting you know what our data says at this point and have you seen here and this is again wisconsin's another one why democrats are bullish that they're gonna uh that when when we get the the early vote and the and the mail-in vote all to come in that that's going that they're gonna overcome this difference and really you know the big area is going to be milwaukee that's going to be a huge dump and we expect that vote between four and seven but as as you can see here this is really narrow we're down to four percentage points so it doesn't look like donald trump has enough same-day vote

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same-day vote to build the pad there and of course there's georgia let's just see if we've gotten any any new vote a little bit but not much we're still waiting for most of that atlanta vote so there's there's your update right now it is we're going to be crawling uh crawling maybe bundles of votes at a time here for a little bit and andrea and i'll ask you chuck as well if we're truly in a situation where we're waiting for thursday for some of these results tell me what it's going to look like between now and that period in terms of what we're hearing from the candidates what what you know how people are processing look i joe biden got out there tonight because he was trying to win the perception battle because it is taking longer you know that they did want they wanted to get a vote out of georgia they wanted to beg georgia and north carolina they didn't think they could get florida but they wanted a different path and waiting because they knew they'd have to wait days for the early vote from the three rust belt states and so they really wanted to get it in before pennsylvania because they knew what the president would do and he went ahead and tweeted twitter flagged that tweet said it was not accurate to talk about a you know a rigged or stolen election when there were millions of vote millions of votes still not counted you just don't have the early vote we've had an unprecedented election so much early vote and it's got to be counted uh we have just we have just caught we have just called nebraska two and nebraska one which means and it is not going to be solid red i am curious to see how we do this i don't think i'm supposed to make make this change here we'll get it back here in the map you'll see but we have called nebraska two uh for joe biden so he will get one more in here and again all right we're gonna just pause briefly here chuck for some stations to bring you local results as decision 2020 election coverage continues on nbc

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on nbc [Music] all right thank you lester good evening again from nbc barrier studios we just heard from joe biden a short time ago we're expecting to hear from president trump as well yeah at this hour a lot of local results are coming in notable races and notable props jessica let's start with prop 22 this is the big one in terms of money spent on the advertising uber and lyft spending millions of dollars they want this to pass and it has nbc news is projecting the prop 22 will pass that means uber and lyft can classify their drivers as contractors and not employees all right let's talk about the presidential election and from the prism of california not surprisingly california backed joe biden for president these are the latest results you can see with 65 percent of the precincts reporting really a tremendous lead right there for joe biden over president trump that is why california is calling for joe biden to be the president now despite the covet concerns there are some notable watch parties tonight manny's in san francisco the hot spot for democrats a few dance breaks you can see there and a lot of smiles especially after biden addressed the nation this party has now ended about 150 people were there at this hour ballots and the bay area is still being counted cheryl hurt is in contra costa county at the registrar's office how busy is it there right now it is really busy right now jessica what you're looking at right now are mail-in ballots being counted here in contra costa county now these are the ballots that have been collected for the last week and a half by tonight they expect to count mail-in ballots that have been collected only up until saturday now tomorrow they will start counting sundays ballots up until today now ballots have been counted at the precincts as well 153 of them to be exact that those tallies have been put on memory cards now those tallies will be uploaded into the county website

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uploaded into the county website they've done that already a couple of times so far 315 000 ballots have been counted here a lot more work to be done guys all right very cool to see the behind the scenes that's really happening at registrars across the country that late night early morning ballot count now democrats will keep their majority in the house of representatives and nancy pelosi will remain speaker of the house she's winning fairly easily over challenger shahid batar pelosi was first elected to congress by the way in 1987 in the east bay democrat aaron swalwell a one-time presidential candidate is winning easily in his re-election bid representative swalwell was first elected in 2012. now while you're watching national results come in join us for our live local coverage at nbcberry.com garvis thomas is hosting our coverage we're streaming right now you can also watch on apple tv and raj and i will be back here tonight at 11 o'clock for complete local coverage for you as well and again we're waiting for president trump to address the nation as well we'll send

it back to lester holt all right welcome back to our 2020 election night slash wee hours of the morning coverage we're going to show you uh where we're at right now when i mentioned just a moment ago in the georgia presidential race it's too close to call now that's one we've been watching carefully waiting for a lot of votes to come in from the atlanta area of pennsylvania too early right now all right let's go to the upper midwest minnesota too early to call but our projection is that biden has a lead there arizona same story too early to call but biden does have a lead we're looking at north carolina been watching that closely for quite a while now too close to call uh maine two early biden leads in maine however all right let's go to michigan there's a state that we're not gonna get the vote all counted up for a couple of days uh too early to call wisconsin same story too early to call and we're awaiting votes in milwaukee area among others waiting for votes in nevada too early to call in nevada let's show you where we stand right now in the

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you where we stand right now in the electoral tally in the road to 270. donald trump with 213 biden with 210 they need one of them needs 270. by the way i just wanted to show you guys how that worked i did i did casey's calculation so we could show her work there and as you can see there is a right at the right at the number yet it makes sure we had to make sure we call hawaii that assumes hawaii votes democratic as we as we do here but nevada arizona if they hang on to that then then democrats can do this without pennsylvania or north carolina or georgia or you look at any other way the president can win pennsylvania north carolina and georgia and he's too short and he'd be two electoral votes short at this point but you talked about georgia and that ultimately i think we need to go back there we heard we gotta see if uh mr hallman's report there uh about the water main break how much that's going to you know what i think he's right because this has been sitting at 87 percent for the last 20 minutes so uh i'm not gonna bother coming back in we've been sitting at 236 000 spread i think it is time to find out if our friends in georgia have decided to go to bed tonight or whether they're going to keep counting vote and delivering it okay the assignment has been handed out what about nevada are we going to get any numbers from nevada tonight yeah i i know we kept we we kept threatening to put our man john ralston on the air and john ralston has done the math he will tell you that you know the way nevada works we don't have much look seven percent but nevada is basically arguably a two-county state you know i'm going to mispronounce washoe county i always do and my apologies mr ralston that's where reno is clark county where vegas is basically this is are the population centers democrats run up the score here republicans want us this has they got to basically match the democrats there and then roar roar big time in here i think the only way the president actually wins this is if this la if his over performance with latinos in florida translates to clark county and las vegas

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translates to clark county and las vegas okay we want to bring in democratic senator bob casey of pennsylvania who knows the state inside and out also spoke to former vice president biden tonight what did he say to you we've got reports senator casey that he was calling and saying hey where are where are the votes how come we haven't seen the votes come in yet in some of these key counties for the democrats no we we had a good conversation he was just checking in um i guess about a little more than an hour ago and i was telling him what i knew which wasn't a lot in the blue counties um and i was expressing real frustration we'd have more numbers but he was very patient and upbeat and so am i he's going to win pennsylvania going to be close can be a long count but he's going to win so so what is your assessment of the way the votes are coming in right now well because you have so many mail-in ballots in the blue counties uh the four big suburban philadelphia counties in philadelphia allegheny county uh those numbers aren't tabulated yet and the president's smaller uh rural counties that he's he's done really well and have reported a lot more but uh even in those counties joe biden's been shaving off some numbers uh by getting more of a vote because you're not getting as much of a third party vote so the raw vote for joe biden's better in a lot of counties than it was in 16 and then the suburban philadelphia vote is going to be monumental and i think allegheny county is going to be a lot better than 16. so um it'll be close and it might take a while to get to the final number but

maybe by some time uh in the morning we'll know more about those bigger populations well we want to this is the hour of the of the morning when we get a little nerdy here so let's get to erie county which uh can be a bellwether uh the president was up there seeing erie voters um he trump won that

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seeing erie voters um he trump won that in 2016 by two obama won it big and 08 and 12 so it feels like one of those counties that swings what are you hearing well i haven't seen a final number there yet um but i think it's like a lot of places i think he's going to be able to to shave down margin but i think in the end this is this is a election now that will come down to uh one market and a half in other words half of the pittsburgh market and half of the in the whole philadelphia college target when president obama won the state in 2012 he won by five carried only two markets the big philly market more than 40 percent senator i'm going to interrupt you just for a brief second if if you please because we're we've got a call in minnesota uh nbc news projects that joe biden will win the state of minnesota 10 electoral votes and senator i'll let you react to that if you'd like that's great another win all right good talking thank you very much all right be well thank you senator well that was interesting because remember we had heard from jason miller the trump campaign a chair or advisor earlier that he felt minnesota could be in play for president trump nbc now he gave us he gave us numbers that look like they're closer to right in north carolina but his minnesota uh projection was was pretty off a point when look this was a state that i'm going to guess that this and you know it's funny as we're sorting out this night the president is the one that may look around the miss map and go boy there were some missed opportunities they talked about minnesota they didn't they didn't make a real campaign in minnesota they talked about nevada they didn't make a real campaign in nevada you start to look around look there is we're experiencing a major realignment in this country a political realignment where there is it's lopsided on the popular vote but it's dead even in this electoral college

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electoral college we have this sort of rural uh urban split that is real looks like suburban america may be moving you know sort of 60 with the blue team with the 40 percent maybe hanging with the red team and that means we are living in a very polarized world right now flip side of that should democrats have done more in georgia well it's interesting i had a former democratic member of congress send me an email earlier tonight and go i want to know who the staffer was that thought it was a good idea to send joe biden to iowa and ohio yesterday for for stops when basically joe biden's losing iowa and ohio by a point less than hillary clinton did so this it turns out that what everybody thought was happening in iowa island ohio that this was a state that that that donald trump that wasn't an outlier in 16 that it was moving um it's gotten confirmed tonight just pointing out that blaine alexander is reporting from atlanta that the officials there say they are still counting that the water main is not stopping them from counting and that the count goes on in fulton county okay casey into the conversation casey joe biden positioned himself as the responsible candidate if i can use that term of you know wearing the mask and not doing the big crowds as these numbers get reported out are we going to look at that different in terms of his inability to really get out there and and shake the hands and and do the and do the ground stuff well it's a difficult calculation lester because if you think about how this pandemic has played out and where many people thought the race stood back in january before we even knew that this pandemic was about to hit us i think there were a lot of questions about whether any democrat was going to be in a really competitive race with president trump come the fall and then we have been grappling ever since with a historic pandemic so i think it depends on where you you start your analysis in terms of how we think about it but it's certainly true that there was a big difference in how these two candidates actually campaigned on the ground and i know

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campaigned on the ground and i know republicans certainly are saying that their get out the vote efforts in places like miami-dade county in florida made a real difference for them especially in communities where and we're still getting the data on first-time voters but it's possible that president trump actually benefited from

first-time voters in a significant way that that's not typical for republican candidates typically we would assume that it would be the democratic candidate just because that's kind of how it's played out in the past who would benefit from voters who have never showed up to the polls before and there may be some evidence that we're still sorting through uh that may that may not be the case and i think there's some questions about whether having a more robust even if it wasn't joe biden the candidate himself having more volunteers knocking on doors with their masks on now democrats will say that kind of those kind of tactics were unpopular with their voters unpopular with independents who were concerned about the pandemic didn't want a stranger knocking on their door didn't want to go to a packed rally and you know we may be seeing that cultural difference and that cultural shift play out i mean i i think we've all come to experience that not only are people voting in these different ways but they're experiencing and living in the pandemic in different ways they're taking different steps the codes of even etiquette of wearing a mask can be different depending on the community or or place where you live and we're seeing that start to line up with these trends so it's really hard to know and i think part of why of course some of this data may uh have been so wrong is because we've never done this before we've never polled in a pandemic we've never had early vote uh that was this this massive uh we we simply don't know how voters have been motivated uh in in something like this so there's a there's a lot of unknowns here and we're only just really starting to sort through them we're gonna go to halley but i think i want to go quickly go back to chuck because i saw you flash well we get we get excited when we finally get some returns in right well you were complaining about nevada savannah i was asking inquiring about all right well look we delivered nevada said wait a minute

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said wait a minute we got 74 of the vote in now you know what that meant clark county came in okay it's what happens here by the way you want to see uh how clark uh how important it is this is um already 75 of the vote in um so this is is that the kind of margin this is to carry it yeah let's take a look at the hillary clinton margin as you can see he's already above the percentage points that is necessary the hillary clinton margin uh barack obama want to buy a greater margin so you can see he's sort of sitting in the middle between clinton and obama but both of them carried nevada this is certainly on the this is certainly enough to get them through um but look you gotta wait and you gotta we gotta wait and see and again i do think this could be one of those states if it's ends up a two or three point that somebody in team trump's gonna say maybe maybe we spent too much time in arizona and not enough time in nevada let's go to hallie jackson he's at the white house i know we have been expecting to hear from the president what's the latest on that the holding pattern on that for now savannah the president will come out as he often doesn't speak when he wants to come out and speak uh and and right now i have been getting indications of you know zero time and guidance we had anticipated that maybe it was going to be a little bit earlier based on some reporting from inside the room where we are starting to get a sense of what the scene is like from attendees there but for now tbd on when the president will speak although he he will at some point here in the wee hours of of november 4th talk about some of the states that we're having a conversation about tonight a couple of observations minnesota i have to tell you for for months i've been talking to people uh inside the trump campaign and they have been trying to push the idea that minnesota was a state that was in play that went away i think uh in the last six weeks or so and kind of came back with a vengeance tonight with the comments from for example jason miller and others that is a projection uh from the trump camp that obviously turned out to be incorrect with our projection here tonight it is a little bit of a sense of kind of the one that got away back in 2016 uh that they had been hoping to

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uh that they had been hoping to potentially capture but his chuck notes didn't really put some of the resources there that they put into other states georgia really interesting here we have been talking and our team here myself to a lot of people and i can tell you that multiple sources that i've talked to just in the last couple of minutes are eyeballing that and pointing out how very very close it looks obviously fulton a lot of eyeballs on that uh this was a state that they had been feeling i think optimistic about not super confident about earlier in the day but certainly not you know uh terrible about i did have one person say hey you know

we're kind of cautiously optimistic about georgia at this point moving in but i don't know that anybody thought it was going to end up being as close as it turns out to be being at this point tonight so i think that's a place where you're seeing a lot of focus right now and a lot of sort of waiting for some more of those numbers to come in when you talk about the the way that the trump campaign has conducted its strategy in his last couple of weeks and lester this speaks to the point that you were making before about frankly campaigning in a pandemic and an election happening in the middle of a you know once in a generation once in a lifetime pandemic here the trump campaign came under a lot of fire repeatedly frankly from uh people who were concerned that folks were showing up at rallies not social distancing at all very sparse mask wearing i was just in north carolina just 24 hours 36 hours ago and saw the same thing in fayetteville not a lot of people in mass despite coronavirus cases spiking in some of these states that all said the trump campaign continued to hold those events because in large part they thought it really helped them with the ground game with the get out the vote effort they talked about the voter registration the sort of push that they were doing with people who were coming to trump rallies including according to their data a number of people who had not shown up to rallies before and maybe hadn't voted before as well so they are crediting that at least in some part to you know the the ability to be turning people out in some of these places and then one final note i do think there is some interesting uh information coming in at least from what we're hearing from sources regarding seniors and we know that senior suburban women some other demographic groups have

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women some other demographic groups have been moving away from president trump according to early polling there are some indications that the trump campaign is feeling more confident about those numbers in particular as we sort of wait for some of these outstanding really important states to come through all right allie thanks we're going to take a quick break we'll check in with georgia actually because we did get a few more votes in our decision 2020 election night coverage rolls on [Music] is now a good time for a flare-up enough crohn's for adults with moderate to severe crohn's or ulcerative colitis stellara can provide relief and is the only approved medication to reduce inflammation on and below the surface of the intestine and you see you getting on that flight back off you see stellar may increase your risk of infection some serious and cancer before treatment get tested for tb tell your doctor if you have an infection flu-like symptoms sores new skin growths have had cancer or if you need a vaccine rpls a rare potentially fatal brain condition may be possible some serious allergic reactions and lung inflammation can occur lasting remission can start with stellara if you've been financially impacted by covid19 jansen may be able to help [Music] eighty percent of bacteria in your mouth aren't even on teeth eighty percent colgate total is different it fights bacteria in your whole mouth protecting one hundred percent of your mouth surfaces colgate total antibacterial protection for a healthier mouth dissolves quickly instantly ready to start working [Music]

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chicago wednesday returns november 11th on nbc hey it's raj in the newsroom we're getting ready to come on at 11 o'clock with all the local updates and the races let's get you a quick glimpse right now prop 22 this is a big win for uber and lyft nbc news is projecting the prop 22 will pass uber lyft can now classify their drivers as contractors and not full-time employees also the house of representatives will stay in control by the democrats nancy pelosi and eric swalwell among the winners in the bay area we'll see in just a few minutes at 11 o'clock we love our new home there's so much space we have a guest room now but we have ants you're slouching again ted expired expired expired thanks aunt bonnie it's a lot of house i hope you can keep it clean at least geico makes bundling our home and car insurance easy which helps us save a lot of money oh teddy did you get my friend request oh i'll have to check aunt joni's here for bundling made easy go to geico.com when you try the new tempurpedic breeze you'll feel how it helps you sleep cooler so no more nocturnal baking or polar ice cap air conditioner mode because the tempur-pedic breeze transfers heat away from your body so you sleep cool all night long experience the superior cooling comfort of the tempur-pedic breeze today purchase online by phone with a sleep consultant and with all of our showrooms now open you

can try it before you buy it visit us at sleepworld.com that time of the night when i could say good morning everybody almost 2 a.m in the east casey we got a race going tonight and you're going to zero in nevada for us

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nevada for us we are and we are going to bring in uh the one and only man to talk to in nevada that is john ralston who chuck was talking about early on earlier on in our broadcast john we're thrilled to have you we're hoping you can pronounce washoe county correctly for us one of the two key areas in your home state but i think the top line question here so many people were assuming that this was in the bag for democrats it wasn't something that we're going to have to worry about having on our electoral college maps tonight as a swing state so the top line question to you is it in play well casey if you've listened to me or seen my hashtag you would know we always matter so yes we are a swing state listen it looked it looked like after 2016 uh even though trump um won the state by uh i mean lost to state by only two and a half points that maybe we weren't so much of a swing state anymore the race was actually not as close the republicans made up a lot of a ground on election day but listen uh i i thought that biden had done what he needed to do the democrats had done what they always do here in nevada as you know casey which is they built up a whole bunch of votes in early voting uh and and then the republicans just don't have enough on election day to catch up uh they had a big lead in clark county which is las vegas and washoe county which uh you pronounced perfectly uh is northern nevada with reno and that is what where the real key of uh swing part of the nevada is now casey and biden is up by 14 000 votes in washoe county right now in the first returns and those first returns are a substantial part of the vote maybe 70 percent excuse me so clinton won there by 2700 votes uh biden's up by 14 000 he's up by about 74 000 in clark county and he's down uh by 30 000 or so uh in rural nevada so

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uh by 30 000 or so uh in rural nevada so they are hitting their marks we just don't know uh what what the rest of the votes are going to hold casey so john one thing i think we've all been thinking about is obviously how hard hit nevada's econo economy was by the coronavirus the tourism industry tourists not coming to las vegas how much do you think that's impacting the vote tonight and is that is that benefiting donald trump at all because he's focused so much on opening things back up that's a great question casey and it's one of the strategies that the republicans have used here uh is is to say listen donald trump wants to open up the country open up the state the governor who is a democrat steve slack has shut down the state this is their argument he has caused the economic havoc not donald trump they've essentially tried to substitute the democratic governor for joe biden here in the state and run against him as much as they run against joe biden though the governor's numbers have suffered during the pandemic there's no question about it but every poll that i've seen casey shows trump running behind sisulac in terms of handling the coronavirus but people are upset here casey you know the economy is just essentially based on one industry that industry the casino industry has been crushed uh you have uh tens of thousands of people uh who can't get their unemployment checks and so they're mad they're angry and so if they think the democratic governor is to blame and conflate him with joe biden that is why i think a lot of republicans thought that trump could win this state all right john ralston thank you very much for your insights always the first person we want to call when we have questions about nevada savannah it seems the top line there that while there are a lot of folks watching nevada closely and it was as ralston pointed out something that the president trump's campaign hoped they

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president trump's campaign hoped they could put into play right now joe biden uh really actually a little bit out ahead of where hillary clinton was when she won in 2016. all right well i've been asking about nevada you scratched that itch casey thank you so much we got a lot more to come our election night coverage continues in just a moment i called my grandfather as a result of the research that i've started to do on

ancestry having ancestry to fill in the gaps with documents with photographs connecting in real time means that we're having conversations that are richer i have now a closer relationship with my grandfather i can't think of a better gift to give to my daughter and the generations that come after her bring your family history to life like never before get started for free at ancestry.com i get my protein from plants like wonderful pistachios sound crazy started wearing a mouth guard in the 40s is it noticeable no jeep you're looking swell a million bucks hope he likes pistachio smoothies plant protein from wonderful pistachios with muthenex all in one you've got unbeatable relief from your worst cold and flu symptoms so when you need to show your cold who's boss grab mucinex all in one and get back to your rhythm [Music] feel the power beat the symptoms fast need better sleep try nature's bounty sleep 3 a unique tri-layer supplement that calms you helps you fall asleep faster and stay asleep longer great sleep comes naturally with sleep 3 only from nature's bounty all otc pain relievers including volterran have one thing in common none are proven stronger or more effective against pain than salonpas patch large their surprising power in this patch salon pass dependable powerful relief america you could use a great weekend i'm talking clemson notre dame snl the nascar championship

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notre dame snl the nascar championship and breeze brady on sunday night football it's all this weekend on nbc [Music] bubbles at this price is this for real no it's real believe me i mean this is unexpected you would say remarkable absolutely a remarkable deal thanks i get that all the time wait what grocery outlet bargain market it's grocery outlets 20 off wine sale going on now till november 10th please drink responsibly for years you've heard me talk about flooring the different styles textures and colors homeowners and designers have come to find at the floor store hardwood carpet tile and stone today it's more than beautiful flooring at the floor store you'll find products that will complement your home's kitchen or bathroom with tile and stone explore all of this and more at the floor store your bay area flooring authority our pre-holiday sale is now 30 off everything in the store and installation before the holidays guaranteed welcome back to nbc news uh coverage of election night 2020 that's extended well into wednesday three hours of wednesday morning here we're going to look at some senate races now we'll put them up for you yeah in minnesota that tina smith is the incumbent and she's going back to congress in the race there in new mexico ben ray lujan wins the projected winner winner i should say and in iowa joni ernst the incumbent headed back to congress at the projected winner there let's look at north carolina this is one democrats hope to flip tom tillis and cal cunningham it is too close to call the georgia senate two-way race the purdue and oath's office is going to go to a looks like a runoff

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to a looks like a runoff in maine too early to call we've got the ranked voting there so you actually have several candidates but that's the the top two right there you can see where they're shaking out with 57 percent of the expected vote in the montana senate race here's uh this is too early to call between danes and bullock mcdane's having the lead there and in michigan uh too early to call let's go to alaska too early to call there this is an interesting race um and we'll see how it shakes out but here's the senate at this hour let's see where it's all landing oh 46 to 46 so all tied up and remember democrats who were hoping early in the night to regain control of the senate would have had to net out plus three seats if joe biden wins the white house so there's still a lot of ifs and buts about that i'll tell you one of my i had north carolina i north carolina iowa montana those three senate seats in my head the party that wins two of those three um probably had a at a straighter shot to the majority and right now we've called one and we're waiting on montana senate and we're waiting on a north carolina senate i just want to take you to georgia presidential here as you can see the margins down to just 118 000 and we are in the stage where we're getting all sorts of let me tell you something about um doherty county here for instance there's a massive amount of vote missing 30 000 votes so when i said there was going to be like we thought it was all atlanta but we're in that stage where it's going to be hey dorado county this is where albany state university is it's an historically black university so there's a whole bunch of vote here that we expect to end up being good for biden as you can see it's a this is a good district for him uh so a good county it was a good county for hillary clinton so look uh let me go back

to the statewide split here that 118 there is plenty of vote here there's plenty of extraneous vote there the president doesn't have a lot of vote remaining there's a few of these rural counties have a little bit here but i'll tell you right now georgia

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right now georgia this looks like a race that i i think we are it it ain't gonna get called tonight uh my guess is we're gonna have to wait to see what kind of extraneous ballots what put georgia on the map in this situation i mean earlier in the campaign no one was talking about georgia as as yeah it's it's first of all it's right there i mean it's these atlanta suburbs i had a republican strategy to say what's happening in the atlanta suburbs and by the way we saw this you know in many ways georgia has been on the president's mind from the get-go what was the very first special election in the president trump uh in the era of president trump george's six in this atlanta suburb they didn't win jon ossoff who's been running for office the entire time that trump's been president he was remember he was that nominee he barely lost but at the time the loss a lot of democrats said hey there's something happening in the suburbs well we know what happened in 2018 in the suburbs and now that's what's going on here and by the way stacey abrams she her organization has been non-stop in the state of georgia since her loss in that governor's race she deserves some credit here for making the state what it is right now okay we are expecting a word from president trump in just a few minutes actually any minute now so for those of you in the pacific time zone your local news is next for everybody else let's take a brief pause right here our decision 2020 election night coverage continues right here on nbc after this brief [Music] break right now 11 too close to call a lot of uncertainty across our nation this evening who will be the next president and it ain't over until every vote is counted every ballot is counted a confident joe biden asking for patience he addressed supporters about 90 minutes ago 90 minutes ago from delaware as for president trump he's been tweeting calling tonight a big win one of his tweets that followed biden speaking flag by twitter

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by twitter with millions of legitimate votes still to be counted mr trump falsely claimed an effort to steal the election and here in the bay area watch parties for democrats and republicans plenty of excitement but so far no winner now we are getting answers about state and local races the votes still being counted in registrar's offices at this late hour we have team coverage across the bay area including some behind the scenes access from several of our reporters good evening thanks for joining us on this election night we've been on intermittently since three o'clock this afternoon i'm raj mathi and i'm jessica aguirre we have a lot to cover for you at this hour let's show you first than ever it's my job to ask the tough questions left and right and help to see an election night event like this for a sitting president at the white house but it is another example of the president mixing the official trappings of the office if you will with political campaign activities part of this is because you know the president has a venue that he would likely be using in a any in any other instance as we've seen often through his administration which is his hotel the trump hotel just down pennsylvania avenue but there are restrictions in place because of the pandemic here in washington uh jurisdictional limits to how many people can get together mask enforcement etc i can tell you that from what i've been told by sources the people inside the room where the president is the people at the white house tonight did have to get covent tests those were required for entry essentially uh but the president is going to be speaking obviously in front of a very friendly crowd i do wonder sort of what his energy levels are at this point he has been on the road quite a bit over the last couple of days sources have told us that he is sounding you know a little bit tired you can hear it in his voice he had that raspy voice earlier in the day as we saw him making that visit to campaign headquarters you can see some staffers coming out i caught a glimpse of one of his top advanced staffers approaching the podium as well which tells me that we may be getting close to hearing from president trump i do think again context and clarity is

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i do think again context and clarity is going to be important regarding anything the president says that may not be accurate as it relates to the vote count because remember there have been no there is no evidence of widespread voter fraud as many people inside the president's own administration have talked about and we are still across the country and in these key battleground states very much still in the process of counting those legitimately cast ballots let me ask you you mentioned the president today went to say thank you to the folks at his uh at his campaign headquarters i watched that live on msnbc and he sounded as melancholy and reflective as i can ever remember him hearing and he talked about uh you know winning is easy but losing is really hard like it was something that was weighing on his mind um and it just kind of makes you wonder about what his expectations were the evening he's you're right i'm sure he was tired uh what a grueling schedule he kept down the stretch but it was it was notable i and i think the word that you use lester just nailed it for me too because i picked up on the same thing and that is reflective the president was sort of as he rarely frankly has done in this administration complemented the press of the press he also looked into it and said hey you know losing isn't easy at least not for me and it was almost a wistful and nostalgic note that you picked up on as he was there in in campaign headquarters i will say on the campaign trail over the last maybe five days or so one of the things that we've seen at a couple of these rallies has been the president saying something kind of similar he says could you even believe it if i look if i lose if i lost to this guy referencing of course former vice president joe biden it is a possibility that he has thought about and anticipated and i too lester was struck by the president's sort of self-reflectiveness in that moment in front of his campaign staff and hallie as we wait here we got our eyes on the east room we're awaiting the president but you know especially anticipating um if there are any claims about whether or not there are votes left to be counted chuck you just got to note that allegheny county which is not just allegheny i actually have an update for me this is from our affiliate wpxi in pittsburgh

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from our affiliate wpxi in pittsburgh great affiliate of ours out there it's allegheny which is pittsburgh but also beaver heart of our county to county butler and westmoreland they've all stopped counting for the night they've gone to bed they begin the process at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning to fold out the ballots this is what they've been doing you know taking the ballots out of the envelope trying to stretch them out and counting them it's a very very labor process but the point is our friends in western pennsylvania andrea they've decided to go to bed we're not going to and those are those are trump counties uh not allegations that's the point in beavers no doubt but in pennsylvania they couldn't even open they couldn't even really start counting those ballots until the polls closed tonight these are all mail ballots so that is going to skew biden even in your beavers and your washington but seven counties said that they were not even going to look at them right until tomorrow so the the point is no matter what we hear in in the next few moments there's a lot of vote to be counted yet uh there's nothing funky going on about that that's just the way it's going but there will be some incoming mail-in ballots for the next three days yes exactly and if there was a ruling in a pennsylvania court case that said if you're if it's postmarked november 3rd to the election day it can arrive as late as friday in pennsylvania and and still be counted and the supreme court upheld it yes casey yes so i i mean pennsylvania i i think it's important it's it's so important to keep this in mind as we're listening to what the president has to say and and that's obviously what you have been underscoring here which is that you know throughout the beginning of the night we talked a lot about places where the the biden team was potentially on offense in the sun belt and the dynamic there as the votes came in as as chuck has been walking through was that those states are used to counting early votes that likely came in for biden first and then counting election day totals so the dynamic was okay all of the vote comes in likely for biden it's counted we know it up front and then the count inches back toward president trump and why the reason why democrats have been calling this a quote-unquote red mirage

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calling this a quote-unquote red mirage is because the opposite happens in these states that haven't practiced doing it this way and pennsylvania is the most central one of them it's been the place we've been focused on for potential problems all the way along and it is true that as these counties start to count and and

my sources that i'm talking to i actually i grew up in chester county at pennsylvania which is the upper main line outside of philadelphia it's one of the places that really has uh turned for democrats in recent years when i when i lived there as a kid we had a i had a republican member of congress but that's really long gone now uh and it's those counties chester county delaware county montgomery county where you're going to see big numbers that report late because they're mail-in votes and by late we mean tomorrow or today i guess wednesday thursday friday of this week as all of these votes come in so you know that's why remembering that you know twitter put a warning on president trump trump's tweet about this we're obviously you know going to be listening to what he has to say here but nothing yet uh is decided or called and that is perfectly within the bounds of normalcy they're waiting for arizona votes as well there were a bunch that just got turned in today at mail-in votes or absentee ballots that got brought physically to the polling place in arizona and the secretary of state there says they're going to continue to count them so there's a lot of votes that haven't yet been counted that happened our man von hilliard who's in who's in arizona yes actually has another update here he's got there's there's a lot of ballots to count in arizona there's still 167 000 ballots cast in person today that have yet to be entered into the system there's 245 000 early ballots in arizona from saturday sunday and monday that haven't been run through the system so plus what governor ducey was bringing up which is they don't know the number of people that handed in those ballots could be a thousand could be twenty thousand right we don't know what that number is though according to vaughn hilliard who reports in arizona out there for us he said we should know that and it's notable hallie was mentioning that it's unusual to have an election

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that it's unusual to have an election night statement in the white house i think it's unprecedented i cannot remember another time just as the rnc was the republican national convention was held at the white house coveted or not coveted you know for them to have this larger gathering at the white house to have any gathering at the white house to declare either victory or any other statement is extraordinarily unusual i think we got the two-minute warning uh that the president would come out about 10 minutes ago so there's a bit a bit of a delay hallie do you have any insight yeah just got another two-minute warning savannah so potentially that means we're a little bit closer that's not uh unusual for a presidential event that maybe we'll get some time and guidance and some updated time and guidance but it does seem like we are now getting closer to when the president will speak as we're sort of living in this moment here in the east room i can tell you that based on the reporters in the room and just to pull back the curtain a little bit members of the white house press corps who cover the president had not been able to enter this room prior to us learning that the president was going to make remarks so this really is our first glimpse at this election night sort of watch party or event here at the white house uh fox news is up on the screens people are reacting as you can hear some of it there some cases the people who are there supporting the president are reacting negatively so for example when there is discussion about something we've been talking about and georgia and how close that race looks and the possibility that maybe joe biden could pull out a win there people reacted angrily uh in that room according to some of the colleagues of ours who are in there with one woman yelling out you know what sort of very loudly there so these people the folks there are engaged just like the rest of the country and how this is going uh as we wait for the president here to come and make these remarks i will say to andrea's point you know we've seen this this sort of mixing of the official business with campaign business before i think back to the republican national convention as i watched that doorway here that was held actually on the other side of the white house from where i'm standing right now on the white house south lawn and that was another piece of the discussion that we had as the president held his convention outdoors the final night of the convention we had

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the final night of the convention we had that rose garden speech from melania trump as well very unusual uh and concerned critics who worried about potential violations of things like the hatch act since we're nerding out i think i can invoke discussion of the hatch act here at 2 12 in the morning savannah let's check in with kristen welker as we watch that door and expect the president to walk through it any minute joe biden of

course has made his remarks but shirley is watching to see what the president might say he'll be watching quite closely savannah and when we heard from joe biden earlier this evening he really struck a note of confidence and told his supporters here that he believes they are on track to ultimately win this race he pointed to what we are seeing in arizona he even said that he feels cautiously optimistic about georgia and he said he's prepared to hold that blue wall those midwestern states that hillary clinton wasn't able to win back in 2016. i've been talking to aides and allies close to the vice president and they say it is significant that he got out front that he got out first and that he set the narrative of this evening which is basically that people need to be patient at the votes are still being counted and i also thought it's significant savannah and worth noting that the end of his remarks it was almost as if he was addressing something that the president has been signaling which is that there have been these reports that president trump might come out and try to in some way declare victory depending on what had happened tonight now the president had denied that he ever had any intention of doing that but joe biden tonight very clear saying it is not up to president trump to determine who wins this race it's not up to me we have to wait until all of the votes are counted and so that was really the bottom line message here from vice president joe biden that the votes are still being counted and that this race still goes on savannah well one imagines that one reason for the delay could be actually you know figuring out what the message is it's an extraordinary moment extraordinary time words matter the president's words

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words matter the president's words matter you know we've got a situation where there's a lot of tension on the streets here in new york city other cities we've seen you know yes exactly you've got you've got you've got two candidates right now who are far from the prize and neither has a clean path necessarily and so if you're talking about voting that goes well into thursday this is going to be all about now just perception of victory perception of momentum and you're at the mercy of these election officials you know you're not it and this is really hard for campaigns to deal with right they're in control of everything especially a white house they feel like they can control everything until this and it is this just moment of paralysis i mean look we went through it for 36 days back and you know yeah you you know it all too well mr holt um i think he didn't move for 36 days from a camera position um and there was this feeling of paralysis that the campaign sometimes had and i think frankly they are uh you know i am curious to see this the president just say look we feel good and does he do the do what biden did or does he try to create some sort of does he hand his conservative media ecosystem something to hang their hat on and run with and a lot of them are in the room according to the pool pool a lot of the fox anchors are there in the room among the celebrants or presumed celebrants there's another factor here that jeff bennett our correspondent or other white house correspondent is tweeting about and sending notes in about which is that the postal service is defying a judge's order judge emmett sullivan the federal judge to have a search for 300 000 missing mail-in ballots many of them in battleground states he ordered that the search be conducted today by the postal service and they have not done that he wants to know why this is judge sullivan you know his reputation he is a tough judge he's been it's a staffing issue or willfully they're just violating it or ignoring it

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they're just violating it or ignoring it jeff bennett's following up on all this he's been covering the postal service issue but if it's close there are a number of votes in arizona pennsylvania michigan among these ballots that are quote missing well jeff bennett has been reporting about this this slow pace of male delivery so i think in the last five days in the last five days or so and in particular slower delivery in some of these key battleground regions so judge sullivan had that again we're awaiting president trump a live look now from the white house he's expected to address the country in a matter of minutes [Music] and a bridge community [Music] every black parent has the talk about racism my son was asking why are we doing hands up don't shoot biggest fear for me would be when you meet that one cop have you talked to them about just what to do yes if they pull you over put your hands on the steering wheel you say all right officer i'm going to pull out my license and registration and even if they're rough or not you don't ever resist you want it to be um that open dialogue because without that knowledge could lead to death exactly [Music] we don't smoke the sh we

just sell it we reserve that right for the young the poor the black and the stupid menthol cigarettes are cheaper and black neighborhoods big tobacco targets us because they think we're just easy money they get cash we get killed big tobacco only sees our money not our worth when you try the new tempur-pedic breeze you'll feel how it helps you sleep cooler so no more nocturnal baking or polar ice cap air conditioner mode because the tempur-pedic breeze transfers heat away from your body

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transfers heat away from your body so you sleep cool all night long experience the superior cooling comfort of the tempur-pedic breeze today purchase online by phone with a sleep consultant and with all of our showrooms now open you can try it before you buy it visit us at sleepworld.com we made usaa insurance for members like martin an air force veteran made of doing what's right not what's easy so when a hail storm hit usaa reached out before he could even inspect the damage that's how you do it right usaa insurance is made just the way martin's family needs it with hassle-free claims he got paid before his neighbor even got started because doing right by our members that's what's right usaa what you're made of we're made for closed captioning sponsored by airport home appliance your destination for premium appliances welcome back to our election coverage as we were reminded in 2016 the all important electoral college right now here's the look joe biden leads in the electoral college vote with 220 president trump right behind him with 213 votes as you probably know at this point it takes 270 to win we'll take a look a large crowd gathering tonight at the black lives matter plaza in washington d.c supporters for both candidates were on hand but at one point part of the crowd pulled out two large banners one said you see it there remove trump while the other said trump lies all the time now all washington d.c police officers are on duty as the city braces the district their blazes for possibility of civil unrest around this election federal officials have also increased security at the white house and speaking of which president trump soon to address the nation from the white house we will jump in right when he takes the podium here in the bay area lots of businesses are boarded up in san francisco police are also out patrolling commercial districts union square not a lot of people on the streets everything is boarded up at this hour nearly every store has covered windows

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nearly every store has covered windows with plywood just in case there are protests sometime either tonight or in the coming days tonight we have the rare opportunity to take you behind the scenes the polls are closed and now the hard work begins the counting of all those ballots let's bring in senior investigative reporter stephen stock at the san mateo county registrar's office and stephen what are you seeing there that most people can't well we are seeing actually the folks literally taking the ballots that have been cast here some roughly 30 000 of them as a matter of fact and these are all the uh essentially boxes from the different precincts 45 vote centers from around they're not precincts anymore they're called boat centers here from san mateo county in fact here comes another one through the door and actually several of them are coming through the door we're talking about um some 350 000 um uh roughly uh ballots 300 000 of them were vote by mail and they've already been cast they've already counted some 240 000 of them they have these fast machines that can count as many as 18 000 ballots an hour that's how quickly they're they're doing it but right now these folks are literally bringing the ballots in from these vote centers around san mateo county again 49 of them they had 45 manned and then there were four extra which is beyond what they were asked to do by the secretary of state it's been a very busy hour and we expect it to ramp up even more as the count continues here in san mateo county all right thank you stephen so much coordination so much manpower going in through the night let's take you to contra costa county where the county registrar there is also telling at ballots nbc bears show herd joins us from martinez and sure we saw a slew of activity over where stephen is i'm assuming it's the same type of activity we're seeing behind you as well actually it's not all that activity has

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actually it's not all that activity has ended these machines were working overtime all night long the crews behind it they called it quits for tonight there are some people here doing a little maintenance preparing for tomorrow but that's about it because they'll be back here very early tomorrow morning now the folks here have counted 340 000 mail-in ballots that includes ballots from 153 precincts contra costa county overwhelmed with enthusiasm this election has been unprecedented all of our timelines got moved up a week or two because voters started voting returning their ballot so early they started calling and asking questions that they normally would ask a few weeks later so we've had to adjust our schedule our staffing and in our and our plan to be able to stay on top of things okay so the folks here who are working all night long we'll be back here early tomorrow morning about 9 30. back to you guys all right cheryl thank you let's now go to the white house we just saw president trump's kids arrive and now we see the president and first lady taking the stage right now at the east wing of the white house let's listen in thank you very much thank you this is without question the latest news conference i've ever had [Music] [Applause] i appreciate it very much and i want to thank the american people for their tremendous support millions and millions of people voted for us tonight and a very sad group of people is trying to disenfranchise that group of people and we won't stand for it yeah [Applause] i want to thank the first lady my entire

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i want to thank the first lady my entire family and vice president and we were getting ready for a big celebration we were winning everything and all of a sudden it was just called off the results tonight have been phenomenal and we are getting ready i mean literally we were just all set to get outside and just celebrate something that was so beautiful so good such a vote such a success the citizens of this country have come out in record numbers this is a record there's never been anything like it to support our incredible movement we won states that we weren't expected to win florida we didn't win it we won it by a lot and we won the great state of ohio we won texas we won texas we won texas by 700 000 votes and they don't even include it in the tabulations it's also clear that we have won georgia we're up by 2.5 or 117 000 votes with only 7 left they're never going to catch us they can't catch us likewise we've clearly won north carolina where we're up 1.4 or 77 000 votes with only approximately 5 left i can't catch us we also uh if you look and you see

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we also uh if you look and you see arizona we have a lot of life in that and somebody said somebody declared that it was a victory for us and maybe it will be i mean that's possible but certainly there were a lot of votes out there that we could get because we're now just coming into what they call trump territory i don't know what you call it but these were friendly trump voters and that could be overturned the gentleman that called it i watched tonight he said well we think it's fairly unlikely that he could catch well fairly unlikely and we don't even need it we don't need that that was just a state that if we would have gotten it would have been nice arizona but there's a possibility maybe even a good possibility in fact since i saw that originally it's been changed and the numbers have substantially come down just in a small amount of votes so we want that obviously to stay in play but most importantly we're winning pennsylvania by a tremendous amount we're up 600 think of this think of this think of this we're up 690 000 votes in pennsylvania 600 000 these aren't even close it's not like oh it's close with 64 of the vote end it's going to be almost impossible to catch and we're coming into good pennsylvania areas where they happen to like your president [Music] so we'll probably expand that we're winning michigan but i'll tell you

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we're winning michigan but i'll tell you i looked at the numbers i said whoa i looked i said wow that's a lot by almost 300 000 votes and 65 percent of the vote is in [Applause] and we're winning wisconsin we don't need all of them we need because when you add texas in which wasn't added i spoke with the really wonderful governor of texas just a little while ago and greg abbott he said congratulations he called me to congratulate me on winning texas i mean we won texas i don't think they finished quite the tabulation but there's no way and it was almost complete but he congratulated me then he said by the way what's going on i've never seen

anything like this can i tell you what nobody has so we won by 107 000 votes with 81 percent of the vote that's michigan so when you take those three states in particular and you take all of the others i mean we have we have so many we had such a big night you just take a look at all of these states that we've won tonight and then you take a look at the kind of margins that we've wanted by and and all of a sudden it's not like we're up 12 votes and we have 60 left we won states and all of a sudden i said what happened to the election it's off and we have all these announcers saying what happened and then they said oh because you know what happened they knew they couldn't win so they said let's go to court and did i predict this newt did i say this i've been saying this from the day i heard they were going to send out tens of millions of pallets we're listening to the president speaking at the white house but we've got to dip in here because there have been several statements that are just frankly not true the president going through some of the states stating that he has prevailed in those states naming

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he has prevailed in those states naming georgia saying they're winning georgia whether they won georgia there's no way they'll catch us that they're winning pennsylvania one michigan uh the fact of the matter is those states have not come close to counting all of their vote they're still outstanding vote do we have a moment to go to chuck we'll keep our ears on this and promise to go yeah i mean as news events warrant but just can you explain why it is that there's it's not possible for anyone to say they've won in this particular state right so what we have here first of all two 1.9 million votes have not been counted can i repeat 1.9 that is three times the lead that trump has okay so that is way too many votes number one and as you can see most of this is election day vote we know the president had an advantage on election day vote so we have gotten very little of the early and absentee vote and then you want to throw in one more way of just seeing you know let me just remind you uh of of where we are with philly half of philly has not come in let's go to michigan he said michigan that he's running up margins in michigan and we've won michigan so can you show us how much you're saying michigan michigan that hasn't been counted as you can see we've only gotten two thirds of the vote in this is actually so there's just 300 000 303 000 difference here again 1.8 million votes are left to be counted let me repeat 1.8 do the math that is that's six times okay wisconsin all right so that and as you can see most of this is still same day vote so this is why michigan a lot of people are so bullish for the democrats in michigan the minute that vote comes and then wisconsin this is where but it's titan it's 116. 81 is in we're waiting for 700 000 votes and trust me with milwaukee being one of the places 116 is not enough there and i'll just go real quick here milwaukee we still have less than half and notably the president also talked about a group of people trying to disenfranchise the vote uh winning

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disenfranchise the vote uh winning everything uh let's let's listen thank you mr president i want to join you in in thanking more than 60 million americans who have already cast their vote for four more years for president donald trump in the white house and while the votes continue to be counted we're going to remain vigilant as the president said the right to vote has been at the center of our democracy since the founding of this nation and we're going to protect the integrity of the vote but i really believe with all of my heart with the extraordinary margins mr president that you've inspired in the states that you just described and the way that you launched this movement across the country to make america great again i truly do believe as you do that we are on the road to victory and we will make america great again again thank you mr president [Music] the president not declaring victory in the way that we had perhaps expected him to do but basically a state by state i i said at the end what most candidates would say we're on the road to victory when you know joe biden said we feel confident we think we're going to win i think the issue is where the president has said uh we won georgia and there's no way they can catch us we won michigan that's where you just have to make a factual assertion there are millions of votes that haven't been counted yet i think we know what he's doing here he's planting seeds for his supporters to take to social media to take to the conservative ecosystem and this is where the next two days i think are going to be excruciating perhaps for he may make it a little more excruciating if he comments on every vote dump that we have

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vote dump that we have but you know as this new vote comes in him fanning these flames there are going to be people who want to claim where do those votes come from where was that and this is again this is all standard and yes it's different this year because the pandemic but this is not unusual i want to go back to your home state arizona regularly takes days to finish account five days it took them and that was actually a relatively short period of time in 2018 five days to call that senate race and and it's worth worth repeating that projections dude are we're not making the votes up these these are projections these votes will be counted well the fact of the matter is is that that the outcome is not certain at this hour and that both candidates are very much in this race so there's no reason to to say anything other than that we have got a an electoral battle going on right now with a lot of votes left to be counted and the fact is that in this election more mail-in and early votes were cast than in any other american election a combination of covid and concerns about the postal service a lot of reasons for it and that they have to be counted these absentee ballots are always counted votes from service members men and women overseas are always counted in the days following the elections are not certified state by state until you know weeks later when the electoral college actually votes florida florida florida military ballots remember who argued to make sure the military ballots get counted and stay in and you got to open those the democrats at the time were trying to not get those ballots counted and the republicans who knew who knew those were trying to slow it down well no but they wanted those they wanted those military ballots to count because they thought that those things would lean with lien bush so you know at least jordan made a good point here you know donald trump's got to be careful they're actually some of this outstanding vote he needs i mean he kind of referenced it in arizona if he if arizona if he's going to close the gap in arizona it's the remaining uncounted vote

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remaining uncounted vote so he may not like the uncounted vote in pennsylvania but he is going to like the uncounted vote in arizona the problem is that he is creating the atmosphere of conspiracy theory by misrepresenting the remaining vote that is not counted there is not some conspiracy to stop the count in fact in some of those seven counties in pennsylvania where they are not counting the mail-in voting that is something that was objected to by all the state officials in pennsylvania who are democrats that was a republican effort to not count until tomorrow let me go it's just an unfortunate misleading and it's from the white house with hail to the chief and the american flags and that is what's creating the false atmosphere of legitimacy to his claims let me go to uh kristen welker right now uh who has a little more insight into the counting in pennsylvania kristin well just to pick up on the point that chuck was making i'm hearing from an election official in pennsylvania who says this just having listened to the president allegheny county has half their mail into count same with montgomery county erie has 40 000 more to count and philadelphia has 300 000 mail-ins mail-ins were 70 up uh in the democratic favor this person says this is far from over so this official watching what the president just said feeling the need to respond in real time to make that point and to drill down on some of the broad numbers that chuck just laid out and again i would just underscore the fact that this is part of why joe biden came out first this is why he gave the message that he gave uh he of course gave this rallying cry to his supporters saying he believes they are on track to still win the white house but he concluded his remarks by saying this race is not over and it's not up to president trump to declare victory it's not up to me to determine who's won this race it's up to the american people and the votes are still being counted and i think that's why

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why you heard him frame his message in that way now i've circled back with his campaign to say do you have any further response they've chosen at this point not to respond i anticipate we're going to get a more robust response from the campaign and from biden himself tomorrow but again they point us back to those comments by joe biden clearly an attempt to get ahead of what we just heard from president trump and there is going to be likely a lot of focus on the battleground state of pennsylvania all right kristen thank you let's go to hallie jackson who is listening along with us uh you know it is certainly like a politician on election night to

put the most positive face you can put on things but i think we've tried to make clear where there's been a factual error let's talk about one of the remarks that the president made when we were going through that and trying to show people where the vote was outstanding but he mentioned going to the supreme court can you can you say what what he he said about that he did so he talked about going to the supreme court savannah and then said and i'm quoting here that we want all the voting to stop he says that we don't want them to find any ballots in the words of the president we don't want them to win he says and as far as he's concerned he is prematurely uh and incorrectly at this point trying to declare victory saying as far as he's concerned they have already won so a couple of things here this is frankly i i think a speech that is exactly what many of the president's critics feared he would deliver tonight on election night or on the morning the night after the election trying to prematurely say that he has won an election in which he has not won yet trying to cast doubt on the legitimacy of the many legitimately cast ballots that are already out there the president also alluding to this supreme court fight pretty directly talking about this just frankly what a week and a half not even after putting in place nominating and getting the senate to confirm a supreme court justice that he chose the third one of his administration this has been sort of building over the last i think a couple of months here in washington this sense that the president may be pushing this exact strategy if

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may be pushing this exact strategy if the race were to be very close as we were seeing it on election night uh pulling back sort of more broadly at this point you have to look at where the president goes from here and i think chuck made an important point that i want to reiterate that some of this vote that is yet to come in despite the president having said for weeks that he does not want there to be outstanding vote after november 3rd there was always going to be outstanding vote after november 3rd some of that vote actually helps president trump and so i think that that is something over the next few days you're going to see certainly advisors and aides attempt to walk back i think you saw a little bit of that dichotomy and i think we picked back up in our coverage here when vice president pence came out and said we're on the road to victory hedging a bit more as you would typically i think hear from somebody a leading politician at this point in a very close race but bottom line here to be clear the president is not definitively leading in the states that he mentioned definitively leading in like for example georgia like for example north carolina and pennsylvania these states that he is trying to say he is one lots of question marks remaining and i think that there are some of the president's critics who will find these remarks concerning from him andrea just the mention of the supreme court of these circumstances by the president that's the nightmare well it you know obviously this was the question that amy coney barrett would not answer would she recuse herself and that has been the nightmare scenario because the president made so many statements before when she was nominated before the confirmation that we need her there by election day we needed her vote he put that out there and so there was an expectation and there were questions asked at the confirmation hearing give him what he has said to color any vote that you take would you recuse herself now notably she did not participate in that key supreme court ruling on the pennsylvania supreme court ruling upholding the pennsylvania court ruling that they could take three more days to

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that they could take three more days to count votes that had ballots that were mailed in and postmarked by election day but she said uh not that she was recusing herself she said because i have not had time to read in on that on these breeds you can only use that the republicans had challenged it too quickly as people amos was pointing out at the time if they had waited until she was confirmed and then she could to make their application but they jumped the gun and she said i haven't had time to read in but she has not said she's going to recuse herself she certainly could now say that any application to the court in the next couple of days is something that she will have as much time to read in on as the other i think the word really is premature because the fact of the matter is we don't know who won this this election we don't know donald trump may well have uh a path to 270 joe biden might as well the votes have to be counted the ruling was that the mail-in ballots have to be segregated they have to be held apart so that they can be counted in case in future litigation they did segregate them so that you could have that argument before the supreme court

essentially the supreme court kicked the can down the road and said let's see if we get there you can separate out those votes if we ever need to hopefully analyze would not happen and it may it may not happen but um what are you looking i know we just called it montana senate right correct that's what i wanted to do because i wanted to show you something here the senate races have started to disappear we have six uncalled we got the two georgias we know one's going into a runoff the point is this see where the democrats are 46 republicans at 48. uh if biden is the next president republicans need three here they uh a lot you know they're the favorite in alaska maine is coin flip and the the georgia runoffs one georgia runoff and we'll see on purdue democrats need to have four plus biden in this okay arizona looks good for them so maybe that gets it down to three michigan we'll see right we've got to see does one thing about john james the republican candidate he was running ahead of donald trump

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ahead of donald trump i'll be curious to see how he does in these more democratic votes did he at all overperform so we'll see point is here i can't figure out a scenario where the senate majority is decided before the georgia runoffs it's possible maybe alaska comes in for the democrats but one thing democrats were afraid of is they didn't want the runoffs to be for the majority because that's a whole you want to talk about the race was already going to be tough enough polarizing enough if that runoff is for the senate majority we're going to have like a mini presidential election in january you know right before we're worrying about an inauguration for one of these two just when georgia voters thought they were done with political ads oh yeah no no no no the georgia tv stations are going to be very happy about these runoff yeah casey the plot thickens and in the senate uh it really does savannah and i think you know we may in fact be looking at a scenario where we don't actually get very much at change right now republicans control the chamber 53 to 47. and you know chuck gave a pretty good uh a pretty good rundown of of where things stand state by state and i think the big picture here is that this is much better night for republicans than they were expecting and it's a much worse night than what democrats were expecting i mean nancy pelosi was out this past week talking pretty publicly about what she would do and the process they would use in congress to pass legislation under abide in presidency and with a democratic senate so they were really almost taking this for granted and that applies to the house as well we uh you know we we reported reflecting uh what we have been hearing from both republicans and democrats that they were likely to pick up democrats uh at five to seven seats uh in the house and on a good night maybe that pickup would be in double digits and now we may be on track for uh republicans to actually win seats in the house you know casey um i looked ahead at that

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you know casey um i looked ahead at that 2022 the 2022 senate races and all this stuff and i talked to some democrats about this if they did not win the majority of this cycle it is very difficult for them to win the majority i mean it is just their their po their possibilities that the majority are looking at they gotta run tables they gotta sweep three seats it's gonna be 51 52 the 22 cycle we'll have the 16 senate seats up and there's some opportunities there pennsylvania is a big one this was their best democrats but this was the cycle they needed to get the majority this cycle um because not getting it here let's say there's a democratic president i don't it's tough to gain seats in a midterm if there's a democratic president and obviously if there's a republican president maybe the 2022 midterms could go a little bit better in the democrats direction here but this is it's it it's a big setback not if the democrats don't win the senate back because this is a couple of cycles set back well and chuck to can i if i can just jump in i mean big picture here the it looks like we are on track potentially for either status quo president trump in the white house and republicans winning the senate or divided government in a biden administration i think a lot of the folks i'm talking to think that that's still probably the most likely scenario at this hour but again we don't want to do what president trump has has done and say one way or the other because we don't actually know yet but that has very significant implications for governance and the way things will change or not over the course of the next two years i mean americans have delivered with even what we do know right now a mixed message about what they want they are saying we are still divided on this we are more sharply divided than ever and i think that means

that the the partisan negativity the fighting the inability to get anything done the gridlock all of that is more likely than not to continue no matter who wins the white house i want to uh bring in pete williams right now and pete here we are at at a point we hours of the morning we have no idea which of these men is going to win this uh

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of these men is going to win this uh this election but the president has forced us into this area of something wrong something nefarious and this idea the supreme court could be brought into the picture describe if any justice is listening to this how this goes over and how this plays out potentially well there are already a number of lawsuits filed by republicans challenging mainly the mail-in ballot process the extended deadline in pennsylvania adding three days that case is still pending before the u.s supreme court the court declined to stop the application of a state supreme court ruling that extended the deadline the court declined to take it on a fast track but it's still sitting there and the republicans could try again if it looks like it all comes down to pennsylvania and they want to ch and they want to try to renew that challenge it's still sitting there in just a few hours from now the judge will have a hearing in pennsylvania in federal court on a republican challenge to the way one county montgomery county the third largest county in pennsylvania began to look at ballots before the canvassing the pre-canvassing process started this morning that's still being challenged so there are three lawsuits republicans have in pennsylvania there are lawsuits in minnesota there's a lawsuit in in nevada in clark county so there are a number of lawsuits all basically about the mail ballot process and in theory any one of them could end up in the supreme court a prospect that justices very much don't want but here's the thing to keep in mind the the the the sort of new direction that the courts have gone in these challenges so far is is the theory that only the state legislature can change the rule for an election not state courts not state election officials only the state legislature now the supreme court has never ruled that that is the case there were three justices who said that in bush v gore 20

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justices who said that in bush v gore 20 years ago but it's never been a holding of the supreme court but it has caught fire among judges in the lower courts and there are three or at least four or at least three members of the current supreme court who think so too so that could turn out to be a big issue and i'll just say one other thing about potential legal challenges or a potential way this could play out if it's really close this could be the year when we really talk about faithless electors the presidential electors that we're actually choosing today the people who will really elect the president when the electoral college meets in december if it is really close within a vote or two then the the pressure on those presidential electors to flip and be faithless and vote for someone other than who won the popular vote in their state will be extremely high faithless electors have never made a difference in an american presidential election in the past but if this one is really close this could be another first i mean not that we really needed another wrinkle pete but didn't the supreme court just weigh in on faithless electors recently yes yes in the in the past term the supreme court upheld the right of the states to insist that electors vote for the person who won the popular vote but here's the deal only 14 of the 50 states actually have that legal requirement in those 14 states if if a faithless elector goes rogue the state can throw him out on the street and get somebody else in to vote according to the popular vote but in all the rest of the states if a faithful selector goes off on their own too there's nothing the state can do about it except find them all right pete williams thank you we're going to take a break stay with us as we await these down to the wire calls decision 2012 2020 election night coverage continues

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we can't always keep our distance but we can still help protect each other this flu season by getting vaccinated if you're 65 or older get the superior flu protection of flu zone high dose quadrivalent it's the only 65 plus flu vaccine with four times the standard dose and it's free with medicare part b flu zone high dose quadrivalent isn't for people who've had a severe allergic reaction to any flu vaccine or vaccine component including eggs or egg products tell your health care professional if you've ever experienced severe muscle

weakness after receiving a flu shot people with weakened immune systems including those receiving therapies that suppress the immune system may experience lower immune responses vaccination may not protect everyone side effects include pain redness and or swelling where you got the shot muscle ache headache and general discomfort other side effects may occur if you're 65 plus don't settle for a standard dose flu shot move up to superior flu protection see your health care provider and ask for flu zone high dose quadrivalent by name nature's bounty unleashes something exciting say hello to a drug-free way to ease stress stress comfort a gummy supplement with lemon balm plus saffron to naturally boost your mood stress comfort from nature's bounty when pain wears you down you need fast relief and new icy eye dry spray delivers feel it working instantly providing powerful relief to muscles and joints i see the dog how to relax new icy hot dry spray this morning on today we'll have the very latest election updates live from key battleground states across the country where the races stand what you need to know and what it means for the nation this morning on today did you know that geico's whole 15 minutes thing that came from me really my first idea was in one quarter of an hour your savings will tower over you figuratively speaking but

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over you figuratively speaking but that's not catchy is it it's not gonna swim about in your brain so i thought what about 15 minutes 15 serendipity geico 15 minutes could save you 15 or more on car insurance enjoy big savings during man city sleep world's largest mattress sale i'm randy mancini and now is the perfect time to purchase a sealy 50th anniversary mattress as you'll save a thousand dollars now only 6.99 plus receive free white glove delivery to your doorstep or bedroom we'll set up your new mattress and take away your old one purchase online by phone with the sleep consultant or just come into one of our 33 safe and clean showrooms so you can try it before you buy it visit us at sleepworld.com nbc welcome back we are a long way we appear to be a long way from knowing who won this election but we can tell you that both candidates have come out over the last couple of hours most recently donald trump to suggest that something nefarious was at foot in terms of the vote and suggesting that he is actually leading or there are not enough votes for him to lose essentially uh in some of the other races which uh is untrue yeah he i mean he went as far as to assert that they had won the election and that there was something um that had gone on to take it away from them that is of course not true and we can go to chuck actually he's on the phone but with our boiler room now oh okay talking to the boiler room well we can show you we can show you where the road to 270 stands right now yes uh it is a biden leading 220 to 213 for trump but what's interesting about this is um it's still anyone's game i mean this could go in either direction uh we have quite a few battlegrounds yet to be called no one can declare victory yet there's a lot of vote left to be counted and chuck we kind of went through that that's why we've been sort of unpacking exactly what we heard the president say when he asserted that they'd won georgia and there was no

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that they'd won georgia and there was no way for biden to catch up or that he had won michigan those are just false claims there's a ton of vote left to be counted and we're getting vote count in right now we're still getting vote count in in nevada as you can see 79 total reporting here we're getting more of it in um let's see what clark county looks like still a quarter of the vote out there but you know things are this is less than three points uh at the end of the day um it feels like i it's gonna head to a similar spot that it did four years ago but let's jump to arizona more vote keeps coming in we're getting up to 82 percent of the vote i was just talking with our folks we're going to keep getting some arizona vote tonight so the point is is stay tuned is is the bottom line and you've mentioned that the votes that coming in some will benefit yeah president trump some will benefit joe biden the votes just need to be that's right so but there is enough coming in arizona that we're going to continue to look at it tonight and there may be some action there tonight wisconsin is another one look here's what we think wisconsin and georgia you know flip the coin we we do think it's still better to be biden than trump here but these margins are going to be narrow um it's believe it or not we're going to be worried not just about milwaukee but i believe um we're going to be worrying about uh kenosha county as well kenosha of course you remember now look when you say worried you mean worried about waiting for the vote waiting for that vote to come in and as you can see now kenosha is a swing kenosha is a swinging

county obama carried it in 2012 when the democrats carried wisconsin and as you can see here was basically dead even between trump and clinton there with gary johnson being essentially taking away potential vote there and so you see here we're waiting obviously we know there's mail and vote and we just don't know how much absentee ballot is there right these are the little things now that'll tell us whether wisconsin is going to be one point or two points in one direction or one point another so those are the extraneous things we're waiting but wisconsin is a state we expect to continue to get

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expect to continue to get uh more stuff but i'm just going to look we are not getting any more vote out of michigan that is going to be tonight that is going to be usable here at all you've heard how many people have gone to bed in western pennsylvania we're not counting there they're going to start at 10 o'clock in the morning and it's pretty clear to us there's we're not going to be able to call north carolina tonight we know that enough people have gone home there's enough vote you know this still looks like you'd rather be trump than biden in north carolina but there's enough vote out there that you're not sure and then georgia georgia is a pure jump ball it really is this thing's getting really tight the biden people are are pretty are still pretty bullish they think and and i'll tell you i would be too if i were them they look like they have a lot more they have a lot more vote uh coming in that's for them uh than what's coming in the extraneous rural counties for the president but the bottom line is this georgia north carolina pennsylvania and michigan i don't think we're calling these races tonight wisconsin nevada and arizona i don't know if we do but we still think we may see some vote i know we all want to go to bed but we still may see some vote and see some movement um before the sun rises you didn't call maine either we haven't called maine and that's going to be i mean as you can see here we we do have an idea of where maine's going to head it looks like it's going to be at least three um for uh for joe biden but i'll tell you here i've noticed even as joe biden's lead has increased it's all come from that first district in portland looks like trump's gonna get that district all right we gotta take a breath of rake now we're back with more decision 2020 election night coverage we're still going in just a moment america's done it we've actually elected an internet troll as our president

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election 2020 thanks for joining us again for another update from the nbc barrier studios a late night for sure as we approach midnight now a lot of local results are coming in the big race though of course still too close to call here's where we stand joe biden still leads with 220 electoral votes president trump with 213 as you know 270 electoral votes are needed to win there are going to be a lot of legal maneuvers maneuvering and moves in the hours and days to come six key battleground states have not been called wisconsin michigan and pennsylvania election officials say it could be days until the results come in because of the millions of mail-in ballots that have yet to be counted jessica let's get to our propositions prop 22 this was the big money fight uber and lyft spending millions of dollars they want this to pass and nbc news is projecting prop 22 will pass that means uber and lyft can classify drivers as contractors not employees prop 15 it would reassess taxes on commercial properties worth more than 3 million bucks owners would have to pay taxes on the property's current value and not the sale price right now prop 15 no on 15 just slightly at 51 percent prop 16 would allow the return of affirmative action that allows public institutions like colleges and universities to consider a person's race or sex when admitting students right now no on 16 by 56 percent all right let's take you outside and give you a last look at san francisco city hall lit up red white and blue of course a very long night our coverage continues and in the coming days as well as we figure out exactly what happened in this presidential election and who ends up winning let's turn things over to savannah guthrie and lester holt in new york our coverage continues also here on nbcbay area.com on nbc

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it is 3 a.m in the east midnight in the west here's the latest now as we continue to track the results from election 2020 georgia it is too close to call too close to call 91 percent of the expected vote in north carolina also too close to call wisconsin and we're going to these battleground states wisconsin too close to call which

is why we're in this kind of stuck period right now nevada too early to call arizona too early but biden leads in arizona in maine it's too early to call once again biden is leading there pennsylvania a lot of votes to count left there too early michigan too early we go to hawaii too early and alaska too early so we're in a bit of a holding pattern here waiting for a lot of votes to come and let's show you where we stand in the race to 270 right now there's biden sitting at 220 213 for trump the road to 270 270 is the prize look at some senate senate races down north carolina senate that is too close to call tom tillis there with a narrow lead alaska senate race is too early arizona that's too early mark kelly a former astronaut leads martha mcsally let's go down to uh michigan this is a one republicans were hoping to flip uh it's too early in that race main race susan collins uh right now seemed to be holding on to a lead but that's too early to call georgia is too close the two-way race in georgia i'm sorry there's two races this is the three-way race that is uh too close but both of them look like

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too close but both of them look like they're heading toward a runoff in january here's where the senate stands right now republicans with 47 seats 46 for democrats let's bring in chuck todd right now by the way that maine what's interesting there is that as the numbers have come in susan collins numbers it's finally just dropped below 50. and had she stayed above 50 she would have avoided the rank choice voting that that bizarre black box that i think some people are fully trying to understand but now she's been pulled already under 50 with 67 reporting so then we are looking at six to nine days while they figure out how that works let me explain how that works now people can vote for a second choice so as well it is unusual it is it's so you know there are there are all others here and you can see there's no we can't quite see it there's over 5 000 votes here and so what will happen and then there's multiple other candidates the lowest person then what their second choice was would get applied to the vote and then they just start doing it until somebody hits 50 percent whether it's the first candidate or the second candidate in talking to republican strategists who think they know how this works and i'll be honest with you everybody i've talked to thinks that's a black box i just want to get my candidate over 50 so i don't have to worry about it that's not going to happen the assumption is susan collins needs to be in the 48 range you need to be within just a couple of points as the incumbent the assumption is these third-party candidates would have listed the incumbent as last and ranking who they wanted and therefore gideon sarah gideon here would get a lot of there's a progressive candidate that's even been running as saying hey my i'm you know i want to be your first choice make sarah gideon your second so i really am going to be very curious at the end of this night or tomorrow morning or whatever what is susan collins's number if she's closer to 47 or 46 when all the votes are counted then this ranked choice voting may be in favor of gideon but again i want to say it's a bit it's a bit of a black box in american politics right now since we haven't seen it applied to a

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since we haven't seen it applied to a major u.s senate race uh like that these days i want to talk about the legal side of this because that is a side even as we wait for all the votes to be counted and to find out who won this election as you know there have been republican threats and actually republican lawsuits filed justice correspondent pete williams and stanford law professor and nbc news legal analyst nate pursley are here with us uh nate let me start with you a lot of lawsuits flooding the zone how much is typical how much is not and and how much do do courts you know really uphold well uh nothing about this election is typical now uh and so the lawsuits that are in the pipeline are targeting the absentee ballots as well as provisional ballots uh that were at issue in pennsylvania and so we will we should expect many more lawsuits now that this election is close and we've seen over 350 lawsuits filed this cycle when it comes to this election uh that was quite a bit but maybe not unexpected given all the changes and legal ambiguities created by the pandemic but now you know we are we are in a mode in the next 48 hours where we should expect the lawyers to be quite active to try to jockey to challenge certain absentee ballots and like but i want to emphasize that there is a legal process here uh that this is not the first close election that any of these states have had that you go into that there's an administrative process and counting the ballots there is a state court process to adjudicate any uh any alleged uh infirmities in those ballots and then there are appeals maybe to the u.s

supreme court but that would be after many weeks of legal wrangling nate if andrea mitchell may i ask a question because those of us who lived through bush v gore and had the uh you know experience of watching them jump in and notice that justice kavanaugh was citing that case which was not supposed to be presidential

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supposed to be presidential was actually cited in the wisconsin case just last week how difficult is it because bob bauer for the biden campaign is leading a group of lawyers that have been described as extremely extremely experienced in this you've got two former solicitor gen solicitors general including seth waxman and walter dellinger on the case that they've been working it so how rapidly does this process happen is this another case where you'll have a james baker versus warren christopher two secretaries of state former secretary of state and jim baker just ran circles around the democrats and well you know and warren christopher or is this a case where both sides are going to be going at it and you can expect that joe biden is going to have a strong team making the case that these are legitimate ballots that should be counted well there's not going to be any shortage of lawyers uh involved if it gets to that but we are not there and i want to emphasize that that we first need to count the votes we don't know how big the margin is going to be and so the the first process is actually figuring out whether they're even ballots in dispute and so once we count the votes then we can deal with whether there's any legal problem with them like i said this is not the first time any of these states have had to deal with a close election which might lead to a recount but we don't even know if we're in recount mode yet we also don't know how many states are at issue so it may be that it doesn't come down to all one state like florida in 2000 that it could be several states that are at issue and so we need to just wait about 24 hours to see whether there's any genuine legal issue uh that will be brought here but yeah there's no there's not going to be any shortage of lawyers on on either side they will both have the ammunition that they need and you think the votes will be counted that the president was talking about stopping the count well i don't know what basis one would have to stop the count i mean

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have to stop the count i mean these ballots have been sitting um you know in these election offices for weeks um waiting to be counted the only reason they weren't counted is because the state laws prevented them from being counted uh early there are other states like florida and north carolina and others which do in arizona which do the counting earlier these happen to be states where the legislatures refused to change the law to make the counting earlier uh pete let me bring you into this uh the net effect of many of these lawsuits is to take votes away people who casted votes honorably in many cases you look at uh at texas in that attempt to stop uh a drive-through voting that put a lot of ballots on the line is it is there a guiding principle among the courts on that very difficult question of actually taking away votes that people thought were lawfully cast well the question will be will probably come down to two things first of all if it's really close as nate says there'll be an automatic recount or you can request a recount that would be the first step secondly uh it may come down to duking it out ballot by ballot uh and especially with mail ballots some state the state laws vary so much some require signature matching some don't uh did the did the ballot have the security envelope inside so all those things can be challenged ballot by ballot and then the question is is it so close it's in what the lawyers call the margin of litigation do they actually think that if they sued they could make a difference in the outcome so you know we're several steps away from knowing all of that if it does go to the supreme court then of course it's going to be a larger issue on what basis would you go to the supreme court and say these votes should be counted or they shouldn't and that's what gets back to this thing i was talking about earlier this theory that has taken hold among some republican judges that only state legislatures can change the rules because the constitution says that the state shall choose their

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says that the state shall choose their presidential electors which is what we're doing tonight in the manner as the legislatures may direct so does that mean that only the legislatures can change the rules or does that mean the legislature's literally choose the manner of of uh choosing electors which is to say either the legislatures vote for them directly or they have a popular vote so that would be the big issue that would be the sort of legal principle if it got to the supreme court all right uh pete williams and nate pursley thank you very much uh nbc news presidential historian michael beschloss joins us now michael uh we don't know how this this night ends so it's it's kind of a difficult conversation but you have seen the way these votes seem to be break breaking if they they seem to to hold the line of division that we've seen in in other tracking of the american public the last few years where does it leave us where does it take us well lester we are a divided country and as of this moment despite what the president said in the east room joe biden has an excellent chance of having the votes to be elected the next president of the united states which is i believe why the president went to the east room and did something that we've never seen before in american history which was an american president falsely claiming a victory in a presidential election that he has not earned and the other part of this that we haven't seen before is talking about going to the supreme court to have it resolved i totally defer to the excellent uh and sage advice of pete williams but here's a case where he seems to be hearkening back to 2000 bush v gore the contested votes in florida and a florida supreme court which said there should be a recount of of ballots that were perhaps not properly counted the george w bush campaign went to the supreme court and said this recount should be stopped for a number of reasons the supreme court complied it stopped

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the supreme court complied it stopped and as a result officially george w bush won the state of florida by 537 votes and that stood and he served a term as president was re-elected in a way that was unchallenged the other thing in history lester is 1876. that was a time that there were contested votes between rutherford hayes and samuel tilden who was the democrat in three states louisiana south carolina and florida and there was an electoral commission appointed it took months and finally they made a deal to settle the election which was the democrats would give up their claim on the presidency for tilden if the republicans would pull federal troops out of the south end reconstruction allow jim crow laws to spread across the south we have been living with that ever since those are the two big examples in history where we've had contested elections that were resolved but we've never seen anything like what we've seen tonight all right michael beschloss thanks we'll take a quick break here we've got more to come for you as our decision 2020 election coverage continues i'm greg i'm 68 years old i do motivational speaking in addition to the substitute teaching i honestly feel that that's my calling to give back to younger people i think most adults will start realizing that they don't recall things as quickly as they used to or they don't remember things as vividly as they once did i've been taking prevagen for about three years now people say to me periodically man you got a memory like an elephant it's really really helped me tremendously prevagen healthier brain better life a live bookkeeper is helping customize quickbooks for me okay you're all set up thanks that was my business key this one's casual get set up right with a live

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casual get set up right with a live bookkeeper with intuit quickbooks all otc pain relievers including volterran have one thing in common none are proven stronger or more effective against pain than salonpas patch large their surprising power in this patch salon pass dependable powerful relief [Music] nature's bounty unleashes something exciting say hello to a drug-free way to ease stress stress comfort a gummy supplement with lemon balm plus saffron to naturally boost your mood stress comfort from nature's bounty when this community hurts when it reaches out his hand we pull it to his feet when the community calls we respond chicago wednesday returns november 11th on nbc every black parent has the talk about racism my son was asking why are we doing hands up don't shoot biggest fear for me would be when you meet that one cop have you talked to them about just what to do yes if they pull you over put your hands on the steering wheel you say all right officer i'm gonna pull out my license and registration and even if they're rough or not you don't ever resist you want it to be um that open dialogue because without that knowledge could

lead to death exactly [Music] we don't smoke this we just sell it we reserve that right for the young the poor the black and the stupid menthol cigarettes are cheaper and black neighborhoods big tobacco targets us because they think we're just easy money they get cash we get killed big tobacco only sees our money not our worth

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not our worth it's big sng carpet big smg features northern california's biggest selection of flooring with free samples that you can check out and a no surprise guarantee so the price they quote is always the price you pay and during this month's tax in 20 sale save up to 20 off select new flooring including karastan and sng pays the sales tax now that's big sng more than carpet go to sgcarpet.com for the showroom nearest you or to have their mobile showroom come to you welcome back to election 2020 coverage we knew it was going to be all night so it's a long night so you shouldn't be surprised to see us at after three in the morning in the east coast uh chuck todd is with me here we're kind of in a holding pattern right now some very very key states where the vote just doesn't seem to be coming in we are now look i got we got something for you to look forward to in 44 minutes which is at 3 a.m local time in milwaukee 4 a.m out here we expect some big chunk of vote from milwaukee and that will give us a big idea of of what the real situation is in wisconsin right now it's a it's narrow it look you know our models indicate that after all is said and done um we think biden has the edge here after all of that but again we'd like to know how many ballots are out in kenosha county as well because there's a bunch of mail and vote out there in theory should lean towards biden but we'll see all right well we'll wait for that i want to bring in kate snow right now kate has spent a lot of time on the road these days preparing for this election getting to know the voters and spending specifically time in the midwest uh what do you want to share as we look at that divided map yeah and lester anecdotally i have spent a lot of time with trump supporters a lot of time in counties that were obama counties that swung to donald trump back in

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donald trump back in in 2016. so i guess what i would say is some of this is not surprising to me tonight um you know the number of people that i've had say to me how enthusiastic and excited they were for the president and you see that at his rallies but this is away from the rally settings this is people i'm talking to on farms and in neighborhoods and in suburbs i noticed when i was reporting and traveling around a real what i would call an enthusiasm gap the people that were telling me they were supporting joe biden were not necessarily as enthusiastic as the trump supporters that i met so i think maybe that speaks a little bit to some of what we're seeing tonight in the results i think it also speaks to why the president came out shortly just just a short time ago and and said the things that he said because he believes he can appeal uh to that base which of course we've known for a long time that he had that base but i think in some counties and chuck can speak to this in some individual places in pennsylvania western pennsylvania and eastern ohio where i spent a lot of time you're seeing those numbers for for president trump going up from where they were in 2016 and and that's that enthusiasm well well a lot of many of the president's critics criticize him because of some of his more brash actions or some of the things he does one of the things i found in doing many of the kind of stories you're talking about and talking to his supporters it's it's a question of of where you get your information um and what you believe so to lay out the premise of a question um based on a set of facts that may be in dispute in their mind right and and at the risk of bringing up something that that is very very fringe and and very much discredited and conspiracy theory q anon which we've heard a lot about in this election cycle which is a sort of set of beliefs on the internet again unfounded in fact i talk to supporters and people that are very much believe the disinformation that they're seeing online i mean that's where they're getting their news from these facebook groups and other places that

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facebook groups and other places that have a lot of cue content they believe that president trump is the hero in that story and they are strongly trump supporters i'm not saying that all the president's supporters belong to that group of course but but i think you get the sense lester for where people are getting their information and it's not even from main st mainstream networks or cable channels it's it's internet based and there's a lot of group think i think that goes on where people share and crowd source and things that sound uh to our minds as journalists like they can't possibly be believed and statements that are made that don't have basis in fact are are readily believed all right kate thank you i want to bring an editor of the national review rich lowry and top uh former top advisor to president obama david plouffe good to have you back rich let me start with you you i assume you heard the president earlier all but okay all but claiming victory essentially saying there's there's not enough vote to catch him out there uh give me your reaction to that well it was obviously irresponsible strange given it's the kind of thing you say when you think you're losing i don't think they really think they're losing but president always has a sense of deep unfairness and and that he's been being treated in some illegitimate way okay it does go some rich i'm sorry i hear you fine but i'm being told that they would lost your audience i'm not quite sure what's up sorry what's going on okay we're good okay yeah sorry so and plus the idea that you're going to go and sue and just stop these absentee ballots and early votes from being counted is completely ridiculous there is a segment of pennsylvania ballots that if it's really close will be under a cloud absentee ballots that are being counted that arrived late and are being counted under this new rule written by the pennsylvania supreme court

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the pennsylvania supreme court and and i do think there are at least four supreme court justices maybe five maybe six who think that is impermissible for the pennsylvania supreme court to have rewritten the rules like that but that's a that's a relatively small segment of votes that will only be in play if it's really really close in pennsylvania so so david plouffe i mean where does that leave us uh the president questioning the legitimacy of the process a process that he could easily win on the other end you know lester this wasn't just trump being trump you know i believe this was a really dark moment in american history one of the darkest if not the darkest moment we've ever seen in the white house uh but listen the votes are going to be counted uh you know rich lowry is saying that you've got ben shapiro saying that you've got chris christie saying that i think you'll see more republicans say that i mean trump wants all the votes to be counted in arizona and nevada just not in places where he's ahead so the votes are going to get counted um i think that's and you know we'll know a lot more in the next 24 hours and certainly maybe in 72 hours we'll have a complete picture this election um listen this is a close election it could go either way but given what happened in the second congressional district of nebraska nbc has not called arizona yet but fox has called it uh and the ap has called it um if you know biden takes a lead in wisconsin and michigan he's at 270. uh and so i think i'd rather be joe biden right now than donald trump barely just from a voting standpoint but this is going to be a really trying time even if ultimately this is really trump um howling into the wind and he doesn't have any legal recourse you know 40 to 45 percent of the country is going to believe what he says and so the divisions just grow much more stark and more dangerous all right david thank you and as we wait to hear more from those uncalled states we'll pause here briefly hope you can stay with us as we continue our coverage of election 2020.

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the first fda approved medication of its kind tremphia can help adults with moderate to severe plaque psoriasis uncover clearer skin that can last most patients who saw 90 clear skin at 28 weeks stayed clear through 48 weeks in another study the majority of tremphiah patients saw 90 clearer skin at three years serious allergic reactions may occur tremphiya may increase your risk of infections and lower your ability to fight them tell your doctor if you have an infection or symptoms or if you had a vaccine or plan to tremvia uncover clear skin that can last [Music] jansen can help you explore cost support options our retirement plan with voya gives us confidence so we can spend a bit today knowing we're prepared for tomorrow wow do you think he overdid it maybe over did what well planned well invested well protected boya be confident to and through retirement [Music] ocean spray works with nature every day to keep you healthy with muthanex

all in one you've got unbeatable relief from your worst cold and flu symptoms so when you need to show your cold who's boss grab mucinex all in one and get back to your rhythm [Music] feel the power beat the symptoms fast this morning on today we'll have the very latest election updates live from key battleground states across the country where the races stand what you need to know and what it means for the nation this morning on today bubbles at this price is this for real no it's real believe me i mean this is unexpected you would say remarkable absolutely

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you would say remarkable absolutely a remarkable deal thanks i get that all the time wait what grocery outlet bargain market it's grocery outlet's 20 off wine sale going on now till november 10th please drink responsibly when you try the new tempur-pedic breeze you'll feel how it helps you sleep cooler so no more nocturnal baking or polar ice cap air conditioner mode because the tempur-pedic breeze transfers heat away from your body so you sleep cool all night long experience the superior cooling comfort of the tempur-pedic breeze today purchase online by phone with a sleep consultant and with all of our showrooms now open you can try it before you buy it visit us at sleepworld.com certainly more on the line than the presidency here's where the senate stands at this hour democrats are 46 seats 47 for the gop democrats will need three if they win the white house or if not and here's what the house projection looks like nbc news projects that the dems will hold on to the majority in the house of representatives we continue to watch a number of battleground states waiting for more vote to come in kind of a holding pattern right now president trump came out an hour or so ago is seeming to suggest that he's on the cusp of victory if not claiming it we'll take a quick break here as we travel along road to 270. decision 2020 election night coverage continues it's an epic ending to an unforgettable season i'm gonna win it she looks unstoppable our first power tower champion warrior as many of you know

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warrior as many of you know today is my last day after 100 episodes amy says goodbye i just can't believe you're actually leaving i thought you and me were gonna work here till we got old and died together i mean not here at the store but probably join us for a touching no touching superstore farewell not yet okay the 100th episode of superstore thursday on nbc last tuesday this is us returned with a stunning season premiere the only good thing that has ever happened to me is her next tuesday i have a strong feeling about you guys we're dealing with a single mother who couldn't change her mind about us you're good with with where we are trust me i got this you do not post a profane video for the world to see this is us new next tuesday on nbc somebody has to stand up for victims happened to you doesn't define you he's not getting away with this the world is changing there's no stigma in coming forward you're safe it's not going to be easy but you're going to survive this how do you know because i did svu returns thursday november 12th on nbc hey america looking forward to the weekend i'm talking clemson notre dame yes touchdown irish and snl you won't want to miss how about the nascar championship green flags in the air oh and to top it off breeze brady on sunday night football unreal this weekend it's all on nbc that's something to look forward to

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welcome back and thanks for staying up with us as we take you through this election night into the early hours of wednesday here on the east coast let's show where we stand we'll put up some of the races we're watching very closely georgia remains too close 92 percent of the vote in there uh but still a lot outstanding wisconsin i'm sorry north carolina uh too close to call wisconsin that is also too close to call let's go to the west and nevada that's too early to call right now arizona is too early but we can report a biden lead in arizona in maine also too early but biden leads there as well pennsylvania too early a lot of vote outstanding there and michigan it is too early here's where we stand in the race to 270 the road to 270. right now biden with 220 trump with 213 again it's a road to 270 electoral votes chief white house correspondent hallie jackson is joining us right now hallie we heard from the president a bit later how much is reverberated from his assertion that he is winning this thing well his false assertion lester as he's trying to declare victory even

though that is not the case votes are still being counted and we just can't be clear enough about that as the night goes on and as the morning goes on i will tell you that already some people who are close to the president are very publicly expressing their concern about this and i'm thinking specifically of former new jersey governor chris christie governor christie is somebody who is an ally to the president he is somebody who has been involved in the campaign helped the president with debate prep for example even you know potentially caught coronavirus we know that governor christie had coveted and he was part of some of those sessions where kovid was spreading at this hot spot at the white house

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at this hot spot at the white house tonight this morning i should say governor christie is talking about how the president's remarks tonight his again false and incorrect claims that there is fraud in this election despite zero evidence of that having been the case were a bad political and strategic decision lester we're hearing from rick santorum somebody who's been deployed as a kind of surrogate for president trump out on cable news saying he was distressed to hear the president talk the way that he did santorum of course a pennsylvania guy we are also hearing from the governor of pennsylvania the democratic governor of pennsylvania who is also extremely concerned unsurprisingly about what the president is saying saying essentially that there are some million votes yet to be counted ballots yet to be counted in pennsylvania and that the state will count all of those votes despite the president's threats to have that end so one of the angles that we're continuing to report out lester is sort of the public and private dichotomy here and what we are hearing from people around the president oftentimes we know the president says things that his advisors or aides maybe don't want him to say right they go a little too far they get a little off message and we're looking to see if that is in fact the case as to what happened tonight i will tell you that it is pretty quiet here at the white house lester the party is over the event inside the east room is done people have cleared out things have been broken down the president has been off twitter for a little bit uh he is somebody who is known for his early morning hours of course so i wouldn't be surprised to see that fire up again this morning and the other thing we're watching of course is uh what's gonna happen in sort of the trump conservative media world let's say the the outlets that speak to those supporters of president trump and how they're framing some of this discussion as a lot of americans who may have gone to bed some of whom may not be watching this coverage and will be picking it up in the morning react to what the president had to say ali thank you i want to bring in white house correspondent for the pbs newshour yamiche alcindor thank you for joining us uh give me your take on

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us uh give me your take on on the pace of this evening and early morning it's fair to say uh there were a lot of expectations that uh if things lined up biden's way they could go very very quickly that's right at one point in the night the trump campaign felt like they were going to be able to declare victory pretty early in the night but as the results came in um it was very clear that they were not going to be able to do that biden of course then came out at 12 30 and said i still think i have a lot of past the victory i still think we can win this but really what happened next was this stunning um speech by president trump something that we've never seen any u.s president he was declaring victory even though he has not officially won this election um this has a lot of people feeling like we're now you know as americans in a constitutional and a political crisis because the president if he doubles down on this um if he takes this stance to try to go to the supreme court to try to take this this this election and try to win it without having all of the votes counted that is going to be a very big problem democracy of course is the bedrock of america it's why other countries look to us and say we want to do our elections like them so the president here has a lot of people around him very disturbed very distressed um this is a scenario that we of course thought might happen because the president has been hinting at this for some time that he might be declaring victory if he felt like he was in a good position but now that it's actually happened um there is a lot of nervousness and a lot of anxiety at the white house and around the president yeah i think the thing that was confusing listening him to do that is it predisposes that he's going to lose uh and and that's certainly not the the fact is each man right now has a has a chance of

becoming president so by by setting up this idea that there's been fraud the question is okay what happens if if you win exactly there are votes in wisconsin and pennsylvania in georgia that were cast for president trump that have yet to be counted as well as of course that have been cast for joe biden that have yet to be

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for joe biden that have yet to be counted but the president is taking a stance at this point that if he doesn't have any more votes counted that he will be able to declare victory it's a it's a scenario that gop operatives have said is is really not the right way to do this but the president is doubling down here i think we've heard the president at times as haley hinted at we've heard the president say things the white house then come out and clarify and say that's not exactly what he meant we saw the vice president not go as far as the president he was not declaring victory he of course is half of the ticket he was not saying that we've already won but the president went and picked through a bunch of different states including georgia north carolina claiming that he had already won them state those states when in fact he has not won those states yet so we cannot stress enough that there is not any sort of evidence that democrats are trying to steal this election we've already of course seen twitter take action to try to stop the president from making these statements they've labeled a tweet where he was saying that democrats were stealing the election as saying that it's disputed and saying that it's spreading misleading information information about our election and about our civic process so this is in some ways an alarming set of events that we're seeing tonight but again it's still early to say but the president was pretty clear about the fact that he said i already won i believe that i have won this election all right yamiche thank you for staying up late with us good to talk to you let me bring in our senior business correspondent stephanie rule uh stephanie the markets will open here in uh several hours from now and they will wake up to a uh an uncertain presidential race how's that going to play out and uncertainty is not what the market's like lester it's been a roller coaster tonight but where we really saw the futures market dow futures that's an indicator for where the markets could open where we saw them hit session lows was during and after the president's speech when he sort of opened the door for a potential contested election you know when the markets really started getting skittish a few weeks ago it was it was when the president did not agree to a peaceful transfer of power from the market's perspective they want

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from the market's perspective they want to make sure that the election goes smoothly that the process worked and from what we've heard from the president in the last couple hours we're going to get anything but smooth and the markets are reacting to that and not in a good way all right stephanie thanks very much andrea well you know that is precisely the point you heard a very different tone from the vice president from mike pence he didn't go as far at all as what the president said he was the cheerleader for donald trump as he always has been but he was a more traditional elected republican figure or any you know political mildly walked back to presidential exactly trying to sort of moderate it and it was notable there that the difference in tone i also want to just point out we've talked about the fact that nancy pelosi and the democrats have held the house they may have lost a couple of seats right now we're giving them by all accounts 227 house seats democrats and before and 207 republicans which could be a gain of 10 for the republicans it could also be a loss there were a few vacancies six vacancies but they could have lost a couple of seats we don't know until these seats are all confirmed you're going to get us some of the view from the pollster world now well the the fact is we don't exactly know we know that they've they're holding the house but we don't know whether they've actually lost a couple of a couple of seats as well all right let me go again oh no i'm sorry uh let me bring in fred yang a democratic pollster and partner at heart research associates uh thanks for being with us uh we don't know how this evening ends uh but what are you learning from your uh your standpoint based on where we're at well i think i'm learning um lester and andrea that um you know uh four years ago this a lot this election night feels a lot like four years ago and you know in terms of i guess where the presidential election will be decided will be those same three states um that decided the presidential

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um that decided the presidential election four years ago but i think the added complication you know we've all all of us um journalists pollsters candidates uh the public have been grappling with this this system in which um basically were at halftime in these three states because um so many votes have to be counted and you know um because the pandemic uh and and the reality of life you know we've been told over and over again be patient there's two sets of votes the early vote in some of these states like wisconsin and michigan the reason why your networks and others haven't called the races um for a candidate is because there's still a significant number of votes out there and i just think um you know lester that's just part of the new normal um that we're gonna have to get used to that um it may be a couple days um before the election is officially known i think from a numbers perspective and i've listened and watched chuck um and his team all night i think it's likely that um vice president biden will win michigan wisconsin and pennsylvania but you know what um that's kind of tough to sort of convey when people see the actual vote counts that have president trump ahead but that's the whole point of what we're talking about this is about the voters tonight the voters have spoken it may take a couple days or a couple more hours for all the votes and voters have spoken um but you know look again i expect when all the votes are counted and the legitimate votes are counted that vice president biden will be elected president we just may have to wait a couple days so is it is it too early for you as a pollster to start licking your wounds or and to declare something was wrong um i think that um the short answer is yes i think um there's still more votes to count uh i think you know look i think what happened was um there was an

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happened was um there was an expectations game based on short polling um based on uh you know uh you know a disapproval numbers for the president uh look i think you have to give him credit he's a strong closer i was looking lester at the exit polls and you know exit polls are just like polls um in the 2016 election in the last week one of the reasons why president trump won the election again not the popular vote but the electoral college vote in michigan wisconsin and pennsylvania was because he won the late deciding vote this time he won the lake deciding vote by double digits and again that's kind of changed because a late deciding vote in 2020 is little different than 2016 in which so many americans voted early but look um he ran he's a strong campaigner he campaigned strongly sure he changed some minds at the end of the game but um i also think we have to give the biden campaign credit sure they were looking at states that republicans and one in the past texas georgia north carolina they worked hard to try to win those states but they never lost the prize which again is michigan wisconsin and pennsylvania and in fact as we all know over the last weekend and even yesterday and this morning um the vice president and senator harris campaigned in those states because they knew at the end of the day yeah we can try to go for georgia we can try to go for texas but we're going to win the presidency is these three states well this will get figured out andrea i would just say that the other added complication is that now unlike four years ago donald trump is the president the judiciary is considerably different all the way up to the supreme court and there is less public confidence especially among at least you know his

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especially among at least you know his supporters in the news media in the legitimacy of these vote counts and in the process so there is an undermining of the legitimacy of the american democracy even though it is normal to count absentee ballots but by having so many mail-ins and absentee votes this is not contributing to confidence that when all the votes are counted people will believe in the final count well one of the things we're watching tonight is who will have control of the u.s senate when all is said and done and now talk more about that let's go over to kate all right lester let's take a look at some of the races that we've been following remember there were about 10 that we were really watching closely north carolina right now still too close to call but leading there at the moment is tom tillis which would be something the republicans were watching for hoping for alaska we've got too early to call at this point let's move on to arizona arizona mark kelly in the lead there it's a democratic hopeful pickup but too early to call at this point uh michigan this is a a race that's been talked about a lot this is gary peter's seat he's the incumbent but right now you've got the republican in the lead it is still too early to call in maine susan collins fighting for her seat there this is closely watched too

early to call at this hour and then two races in georgia the only state with two senate races right now we've got uh purdue in the lead there but 91 in still too close to call this would go to a runoff and this one as well the special election a so-called jungle primary in georgia they are going to advance to that runoff in december so taking a look at the senate makeup this hour remember it used to be 47 democrats and 53 republicans right now 46 47 the chances of the democrats guys being able to take back control of the senate which is something that democrats were really hopeful about tonight going into the evening or

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about tonight going into the evening or last night is looking a lot slimmer now runoffs in in in georgia certainly loom large kate thank you another quick break here we'll continue with decision 2020 election night coverage in just a moment [Music] is now a good time for a flare-up enough crohn's for adults with moderate to severe crohn's or ulcerative colitis stellara can provide relief and is the only approved medication to reduce inflammation on and below the surface of the intestine and you see you getting on that flight back off you see stellar may increase your risk of infection some serious and cancer before treatment get tested for tb tell your doctor if you have an infection flu-like symptoms sores new skin growths have had cancer or if you need a vaccine rpls a rare potentially fatal brain condition may be possible some serious allergic reactions and lung inflammation can occur lasting remission can start with stellara if you've been financially impacted by covid19 jansen may be able to help i used to be bad with money but i'm not anymore i got my money right but so far [Music] eighty percent of bacteria in your mouth aren't even on teeth eighty percent colgate total is different it fights bacteria in your whole mouth protecting 100 percent of your mouth surfaces colgate total antibacterial protection for a healthier mouth [Music] skeptical relief fast with alpha seltzer plus severe power fast fizz dissolves quickly instantly ready to start working so fast get the gummy color code

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the building is unstable transplant returns next tuesday on nbc when you have a problem with the company you call customer service but do you really get the help you need nbc bay area response and telemundo responded want to know take our survey now just scan this qr code with your phone or go to nbcbayarea.com consumer survey to share your experience with us because the more we know the better we can help consumers like you great day on the lake it is lunch is cooking and i saved a bunch of money on my boat insurance with geico right fellas can it get any better than this whoa my old hairstyle grew back i started mine what i was an 80s kid it only gets better when you switch and save with geico we don't smoke the sh we just sell it we reserve that right for the young the poor the black and the stupid menthol cigarettes are cheaper and black neighborhoods big tobacco targets us because they think we're just easy money they get cash we get killed big tobacco only sees our money not our worth welcome back election night 2020 we continue to wait for key battleground states for more vote to come in and get a handle on where all this is going but right now i'll hand it over to hallie jackson who's got more for us we are following lester what the developments are here at the white

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the developments are here at the white house the president obviously delivering that election morning speech the night after of course the return started coming in in which he falsely tried to declare victory in fact did say that he believes we have won the election to be very clear the facts on the ground simply do not support that as we've been talking about there are so many legitimately cast ballots that have yet to be counted in some of these really important battleground states pennsylvania georgia north carolina for example races that nbc news has not yet called or projected to talk about some of this i want to bring in somebody who knows some of these states and campaigns well along with the white house former white house press secretary and nbc news political analyst robert gibbs robert good morning to you on this november good morning talk about your reaction here to what you heard from the president here at the white house uh in the east room delivering that speech yeah just nothing short of stunning i mean i guess in some ways we've we've come to expect it but it's still a jarring thing particularly when the president wants to see

votes counted in places like nevada and arizona but doesn't want to see any more votes counted in a pennsylvania or michigan so again a jarring thing first of all a campaign event in the white house is a jarring thing uh to to watch the president of the united states uh essentially declare victory uh in races that he knows are far from over i think it's just disconcerting and very unsettling for the hard work that has to come next in counting these votes and keeping people safe that are counting these votes a couple of the states that i'm hearing about quite a bit tonight from sources that i talk to in and around president trump's orbit are pennsylvania and georgia right and two different storylines there pennsylvania i'm getting a sense of increasing optimism based on some of the numbers georgia less optimism perhaps than earlier on election morning

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earlier on election morning how do you see those states playing out and if you're joe biden's campaign what are you seeing in some of these numbers well look i i think there's reason for the biden campaign to be optimistic and for the trump campaign to be pessimistic about georgia i think there's the vote that's out particularly those metro counties around atlanta we know there's going to be some big vote there so that one wouldn't surprise me i think there's still a lot of vote out i think it's hard to get a handle on what's still out in uh uh in in pennsylvania we know there's there's western pennsylvania vote out in allegheny county we know there's a lot of philadelphia we know there's a lot of montgomery county again over in the east so i think it's really hard to get a real handle on kind of where pennsylvania is i think you've got even some counties within the state that aren't going to count their early or absentee votes until starting tomorrow morning so i i think it may be several hours before we know a lot more uh about where we are with pennsylvania i'd be anxious to see obviously in the next hour a few hours what happens with wisconsin you've got obviously the milwaukee vote to come in and you've got a couple of other places that still have to report some vote and that one will be an interesting one to see real quick before i let you go here looking at the senate landscape democrats i think it hoped to be doing better at this point in the morning than what we are seeing in some of these places is there a chance to potentially turn it around and again some of the vote is still early and how do you think this plays out well look i think democrats are undoubtedly disappointed at where the senate is at this time i think look i i think the key is that maybe that those races may be more than one race but at least one race we know is going to go to a runoff in georgia that'll happen just a couple days after the new congress is seated so we may well be have extended not just in the next couple days in a presidential race but extended a a couple of months in the georgia race

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a couple of months in the georgia race yeah robert gibbs former white house press secretary staying up late and early with us this morning robert thank you lester i'll toss it back to you there in the studio yeah hallie i think we've now officially moved into early territory not late another break now we'll be back in just a moment with more decision 2020 election coverage stay with us i'd call my grandfather as a result of the research that i've started to do on ancestry having ancestry to fill in the gaps with documents with photographs connecting in real time means that we're having conversations that are richer i have now a closer relationship with my grandfather i can't think of a better gift to give to my daughter and the generations that come after her bring your family history to life like never before get started for free at ancestry.com i get my protein from plants like wonderful pistachios sound crazy started wearing a mouth guard in the no 40s you're looking swell a million bucks hope he likes pistachio smoothies plant protein from wonderful pistachios with mucinex all in one you've got unbeatable relief from your worst cold and flu symptoms so when you need to show your cold who's boss grab mucinex all in one and get back to your rhythm [Music] feel the power beat the symptoms fast need better sleep try nature's bounty sleep 3 a unique tri-layer supplement that calms you helps you fall asleep faster and stay asleep longer great sleep comes naturally with sleep three only from nature's bounty all otc pain relievers including volterran have one thing in common none are proven stronger or more effective against pain than salonpas patch large their surprising power in this patch salon pass dependable powerful relief america you could use a great weekend i'm talking clemson notre dame snl the nascar championship

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notre dame snl the nascar championship and breeze brady on sunday night football it's all this weekend on nbc bubbles at this price is this for real no it's real believe me i mean this is unexpected you would say remarkable absolutely a remarkable deal thanks i get that all the time wait what grocery outlet it's grocery outlet's 20 off wine sale going on now till november 10th please drink responsibly enjoy big savings during mancini sleep world's largest mattress sale i'm randy mancini and now is the perfect time to purchase a sealy 50th anniversary mattress as you'll save a thousand dollars now only 6.99 plus receive free white glove delivery to your doorstep or bedroom we'll set up your new mattress and take away your old one purchase online buy phone with a sleep consultant or just come into one of our 33 safe and clean showrooms so you can try it before you buy it visit us at sleepworld.com well decision 2020 covers an nbc moving into a new day it's almost four o'clock in the east and we continue to wait for more votes and some more movement as to where we are in this election andrea these are legitimate votes americans turned out in unprecedented numbers to early vote mail-in vote and those votes have to be counted i yeah we're going to take a break kate snow is going to continue our coverage here on the network in just a few minutes and i guess we'll see you very soon it's going to be a long week this is us is back this is what everyone is saying and this is just the beginning new this is us next tuesday on nbc

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new this is us next tuesday on nbc as many of you know today is my last day oh after 100 episodes amy says goodbye i just can't believe you're actually leaving i thought you and me were gonna work here till we got old and died together i mean not here at the store but probably join us for a touching no touching superstore farewell not yet okay the 100th episode of superstore thursday on nbc last tuesday this is us returned with a stunning season premiere the only good thing that has ever happened to me is her next tuesday i have a strong feeling about you guys we're dealing with a single mother who couldn't change her mind about us you're good with with where we are trust me i got this you do not post a profane video for the world to see this is us new next tuesday on nbc when this community hurts when it reaches out his hand we pull it to his feet i'm not looking to be a hero just trying to do the right thing chicago wednesday returns november 11th on nbc somebody has to stand up for victims what happened to you doesn't define you he's not getting away with this the world is changing there's no stigma in coming forward you're safe it's not going to be easy but you're going to survive this how do you know because i did svu returns thursday november 12th on

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nbc welcome back to nbc news coverage of decision 2020. i'm kate snow with you now taking the baton it is 4 a.m here on the east coast 1 a.m on the west coast if you're sticking with us we thank you here's what we're watching at this hour let's get you caught up on what we have projected here at nbc news this is the map that we're looking at at this moment and we can take a look at some of the individual states i think beginning with pennsylvania again this is the one that we are really waiting on and it could be days too early to call at this point georgia also very close at this point 92 percent of the vote in too close to call north carolina again too close to call a pivotal state this could really matter for either candidate michigan same thing too early to call at this point waiting for votes to be counted there in arizona vice president biden has a lead but still too early to call at this hour wisconsin very close there as well again a critical northern state too close to call in nevada at this hour too early to call nevada and in maine too early to call although we could note that vice president biden does have a lead there but again still too early to call that in hawaii where maybe they're still awake at this hour it is too early to call not enough votes to count obviously 0-0 there let's begin this hour we've let some of our folks go lester savannah chuck and andrea getting some sleep same thing at the white house hallie jackson has gone to get a couple hours of sleep so let's bring in monica alba she's at the white house with us now at 4 am monica let's talk for those who weren't with us about what the president said when he came out and spoke and what you're hearing from white house officials

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officials now okay we'll we'll wait on monica alba she's not quite ready yet so let me skip over to biden headquarters first and then we'll come back to the white house ali vitale is now at biden headquarters for us in wilmington delaware uh ali it feels like days ago but it was just hours ago that we heard from the vice president social media have we lost her also okay bear with us folks we're trying to get our correspondence up do we have mora barrett before i try to toss to her okay we don't have anybody at this hour all right um how about rich lari is he with us all right we're having trouble getting folks uh organized at this hour we apologize for that we will get right to our correspondence when we can uh but let's talk about where we stand at this moment you just heard lester say it before he left uh if you were with us right before the four a.m hour that this this race is simply too close right now to to really call it is a race where we await millions of votes that have been cast uh states all over the country some of them have gone to bed now they'll resume counting in the morning some of them like pennsylvania have three days now to count votes that came in as long as those mail-in ballots came in by election day they'll be able to count them per the supreme court for the next three days so again we can go through the boards and show you which states we're waiting on and it is a lot of states despite what the president said at the white house we're looking at texas we can call for the president so the projected winner per nbc news of texas is president trump florida we have also called for president trump ohio we have called for president trump we have projected that president trump wins ohio and in minnesota nbc news has projected the winner there vice president biden in nebraska we have projected the winner

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in nebraska we have projected the winner uh president trump nebraska splits its electoral college votes so we're still waiting on how that will work out but at this point at this point statewide we project for president trump again many other states we went through them a few minutes ago simply too close to call or too early to call at this point we're going to go to arizona now one of those states that we are still waiting to project vaughn hilliard is out there for us vaughn you've been talking to voters what are you hearing what are you seeing hey good morning when we're looking at the margin right now it's still you see joe biden with about a seven point edge over donald trump and those initial results were striking you know and kind of hit that chord of what we had been expecting to happen here of a joe biden victory here particularly because of the suburbs around phoenix and tucson but what we are waiting for nbc news is not called this race we are still that is because we are still waiting for hundreds of thousands of ballots to still be counted tonight uh this morning wherever we are right now we're still expecting about 130 000 ballots here from maricopa county county to be entered into the system here but here's the other outlier what we are waiting on is a number that we don't know right now and that is the number of folks that today on election day hand delivered their ballots to polling locations elections officials kate tell me that they will tell us later today on wednesday what that total is the trump campaign right now is banking on that number being exceedingly high because what we saw in these last several days where these early ballots that were being returned went heavily towards republicans and on tuesday republicans in maricopa county voted by a two-to-one margin over democrats again a two-to-one margin kate

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democrats again a two-to-one margin kate and so that is where the trump camp campaign is insisting saying hold on a second you know with hundreds of thousands of ballots still out we've got a chance to close this gap and also when you take into account the rule parts of the state here there's that opportunity because this campaign donald trump spent time in the likes of yuma a town of a hundred thousand he spent just last week up in bullhead city an outlier community that he won overwhelmingly four years ago and did again on tuesday night at the same time they were trying to turn out voters they didn't even vote in 2016 but came out to support him and now that question is can they narrow this eight point gap arizona is important you got those 11 electoral votes kate that are on the line here and in a situation in which uh joe biden pulls off michigan wisconsin and having now nebraska's that one congressional district there arizona would clinch it

and joe biden wouldn't even need the state of pennsylvania that's how important arizona is to joe biden's map yeah and you heard the president bond say we have a lot of life in that state and we need to get it counted whereas he was saying about other states well we're already we've already won he was incorrectly saying uh so so clearly arizona important to the trump campaign at this at this hour yeah and especially when you're taking into account here this is been the longtime republican bastion of the republican party right from goldwater to john mccain suddenly when you're talking about that political map here in arizona this is out interestingly the state that could be the one to defy what the republican party has become under donald trump jeff flake the former republican senator ran closing campaign ads for the biting campaign just this last week as well as cindy mccain and when you're looking at the way that donald trump has handled the state of arizona and particularly the way that he treated the late senator john mccain it calls into question uh the republican party's efforts here

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uh the republican party's efforts here and whether they cornered themselves here because if it weren't for the state of arizona right now all eyes would exclusively be on the state of pennsylvania but instead because arizona is in play because of the democrats here suddenly the they were able to expand their map here this evening all right vaughn hilliard out in arizona forest fund thanks so much we want to bring in white house correspondent for the pbs newshour yamiche alcindor she's been with us earlier in the evening yamiche thanks for sticking with us at 408 eastern time talk about the map as a whole right now and and what we heard from the president just what was that about an hour ago uh not unexpected that he would say what he did but but really the map is still anyone's game the map is definitely still anyone's game president trump has not won a number of the states that he claimed he won including georgia pennsylvania north carolina the president was also taking issue with the fact that arizona had been called for joe biden um we can now report that the ep but yeah by another network i should say at the pbs news hour we're going with the ap calls but nonetheless what the president is doing is saying that he's already won um this election and already saying that he wants all voting to stop he's saying that he wants to go to the supreme court this is something that if it was happening in any other country the united states would be sending an election observers we'd be looking at that country and saying something is wrong there's a constitutional crisis there's a political crisis we've never seen anything like this in u.s history i can't stress that enough um in elections like in 2016 in 2000 1976 1968 we've had elections in the past where we did not know at the stroke of midnight on after election day who won the election but the president is now insinuating without evidence that democrats are trying to steal this election um there are people close to the president who are very alarmed and disturbed by this kate chris christie the new jersey governor the former new jersey governor he said he that he thought that this was a bad political strategy and a bad

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a bad political strategy and a bad political strategy that's really important because he's someone who worked on the president's transition was helped the president prep for debates um but there are republicans tonight who support the president who say this is a step too far now of course we've seen the president say things and then walk it back the vice president had a very different tone when he was talking from the white house today saying that he expects to win the election not claiming victory already but president trump um was very clear that he believes he has already won the election and we as you said there is already going to be counting going on in places like pennsylvania like georgia a lot of votes still to be counted president trump is all about the message though right he's he's a big uh he he likes to speak to his people he likes to speak to his crowd and it seemed to me that that's what he was doing at the white house was trying to telegraph a message that a hopeful message that he would like to be true that's right um i was talking to some people that are close to president trump today and one of the things that someone stressed to me that talks to the president a lot he said that president trump sees leadership as optimism um whether it's including misinformation whether it means that he's not telling the truth he still likes to try to look upbeat he still likes to try to make it seem like he's in a good place that's happening now with the election saying that he's in a good spot that he believes he can win states that haven't been called yet that being said the president also did this

of course with the coronavirus we're in the middle of a pandemic that has killed more than 230 000 americans infected more than 9.3 million and the president's closing message over and over again at all these different rallies that he held um across the country was that covet isn't that bad that people should not be worried about it so we're seeing that sort of optimism he's trying to telegraph in that into his supporters that he's doing well in the election that they should feel excited about the fact that this election is continuing um and he's actually of course trying to say that he already won the election but in a lot of ways apart from the messaging and the rhetoric there is really the democracy part of

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there is really the democracy part of this america is built on this idea that our elections are free and fair and that we can have a stable government and a stable transition of power because everyone believes that the elections are um done in a correct way and the president is essentially trying to delegitimize these elections and that's a problem yamiche thank you so much for sticking with us overnight appreciate it very much let's bring in monica alba she's at the white house for us tried to go to you before monica are you there this time there we are good morning uh 4 am the president must be asleep by this time do we have any sense for what's on his agenda in the coming hours well listen kate this is a president who actually stays up quite late and likes to monitor and watch a lot of coverage particularly on a night like tonight and the lights i can actually see in the residence just beyond here where i am i'm in front of the west wing and they are still on so it's very possible he is still keeping a close eye on what we have seen here tonight but we do have some insight into what he might be doing later today which is nothing at all there's nothing currently on his public schedule of course that's always subject to change we weren't even sure exactly when we were going to hear from him tonight until just about an hour before he spoke in the east room and the timeline itself was notable because it was just after former vice president joe biden delivered his remarks in wilmington delaware that the president issued his first tweet in more than six hours we hadn't heard very much from him overnight as some of those returns started to roll in until we first heard from joe biden then seemingly the president wanted to go out and make his own kind of splash with those very controversial remarks declaring a form of victory when of course we know there are still millions of ballots that need to be cast but when we look ahead to what comes next the president seemingly saying that he's going to follow through with a strategy he previewed earlier this week which is to go in in effect with his lawyers the republican national committee has been preparing

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preparing election related lawsuits in many of these p key battleground states and they do have dozens of lawyers on retainer i'm told in key states like pennsylvania for what they see as this protracted legal battle to come as the week unfolds we're not sure when we're going to hear from him next the first time maybe on his twitter feed in these next couple of hours as he continues to see what is developing but we also may see him do some media interviews of course we saw him just 24 or so hours ago do a lengthy interview with fox and friends that's something he may do as well but it was quite striking tonight kate when the president came out and spoke in the east room he gathered about 200 to 250 of his closest friends trump family members cabinet secretaries and campaign officials all of them huddled quite closely together despite the coronavirus pandemic having an event indoors which is still just an odd thing to see given the backdrop of that health crisis of course we're told by white house officials they were supposedly tested before they came into the white house grounds but of course that's something that the white house has told us before at different kinds of events anything from the republican national convention to of course that rose garden ceremony for then judge now justice amy coney barrett which later in the words of dr anthony fauci turned into a super spreader event so a lot of health questions just raised tonight about this event that also continues to blur really the lines between official white house business and campaign activities which is something again we've become quite accustomed to in the last couple weeks and months of this campaign kate monica alba at the white house for us uh you'll let us know when you when you hear more monica thank you and more decision 2020 election night coverage ahead stay with us are you tired of clean clothes that just don't smell clean what if your clothes

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don't smell clean what if your clothes could stay fresh for weeks now they can downy unstoppables in wash scent boosters keep your laundry smelling fresh way longer than detergent alone pour a cap of downy unstoppables into your washing machine before each load and enjoy fresher smelling laundry with six times the freshness ingredients downey unstoppables gives you more of what you love if you want laundry to smell fresh for weeks make sure you have downy unstoppables in wash scent boosters no matter what sometimes keeps you up nature made helps you win the night our extended release melatonin helps you fall asleep and stay asleep nature made the number one pharmacist recommended vitamin and supplement brand lactate is 100 real milk just without the lactose so you can enjoy it even if you're sensitive yet some people say lactate is a real milk i guess all those cows must actually be big dogs that's it i said sit one shake and cats come running so be careful what you shake [Music] temptations cat treats all it takes is a shake i'm 53 but in my mind i'm still 35. that's why i take osteobi-flex to keep me moving the way i was made to it nourishes and strengthens my joints for the long term while helping with occasional joint stiffness osteobi-flex i've met my share of killers but not one like elizabeth i'm gonna take you down she's quite determined we'll have to be as well after 100 episodes amy says goodbye i thought you and me were gonna work here till we got old and died together i mean not here at the store but probably the 100th episode of superstore thursday on nbc

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broadly and you saw the tension there right after the president's statement where mike pence came up to the microphone and stated it more in more conventional terms you know the president said as far as i'm concerned i won and mike pence said we're on the path to victory which would be a more appropriate thing to say yeah in terms of the legal strategy you know this we're we're in a litigation phase both sides are going to be filing lawsuits to protect their interests but the idea as the president said in an exaggerated way that he can go to the supreme court and stop the counting of these ballots is obviously bonkers and isn't going to happen what are you hearing from other republicans i don't know if anyone's still up at this hour if you've been in touch with with others in the party i mean are are are people distancing themselves from what the president said well i think uh people are made uncomfortable about it it might be yet another one of these things where you have a lot of republican senators kind of ducking and covering and and not wanting to engage with reporters on it if they can help it and who knows you know trump may wake up later this morning and pull it back a little bit you know on uh some some media interviews but uh the basic narrative that he wants out there is that the other side is trying to cheat all right rich lowry thanks for being with us and sticking with us we'll take a quick break we'll be right back with our decision 2020 election coverage [Applause] we've made a lot of breakfasts and along the way we noticed something was missing a warm cinnamon roll for breakfast or with breakfast a fluffy blueberry muffin from the drive-thru you're already driving through a glazed apple fritter which might find its way into your coffee these are options every breakfast haver should have and now they do meet the new bakery sweets

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sweets at mcdonald's [Music] vicks vapo patch easy to wear with soothing vicks vapors for her for you for the whole family trusted soothing vapors from vicks new number seven advanced retinol night concentrate from america's number one serum brand five times more retinol than the number one retinol serum yet formulated to be gentle on your skin new number seven advanced retinal night concentrate ready to shine from the inside out try nature's bounty hair skin and nails gummies the number one brand to support beautiful hair glowing skin and healthy nails and try advanced now with two times more biotin each febreze car vent clip gives you up to 30 days of fresh air so you can have open window freshness even with all the windows up enjoy fresh anytime with febreze [Music] geico makes the claims process so easy i can file and manage my claim on the geico app it's not just easy it's giving your dog your fitness tracker easy good boy yes you got it already got my 40 000 steps today can i get a what what no pain no gain it's geico easy with fast and convenient claim service look how fast i'm running good boy chester hey guys the tonight show is all new in the studio tonight we got news we got jokes we got celebrities we got music all your favorite bits and so much more and there's a prize at the bottom of every box so tune in later tonight [Music]

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[Music] [Applause] [Music] i met my share of killers but not one like elizabeth so i'm feeling a little vulnerable [Music] reddington killed your father and was responsible for the death of the man you loved i'm gonna do everything in my power to take you down she's quite determined we'll have to be as well welcome back to nbc news's decision 2020 coverage i'm kate snow uh we have at least a big day ahead of us potentially several days ahead of us of legal battles for that i want to go to stanford law professor and nbc news legal analyst nate priscilli nate thanks for sticking with us uh through this long long night when you think about what will happen first what would be the first and i know i heard you say earlier we've got to get the votes counted first uh but is that easy to do in the climate we're in well there is a process that is going to be followed and i think that um we have to trust the process that they say in philadelphia uh that there's um an administrative process to count to votes and then there's a state legal process to uh dispute any of those counts do you suspect that there will be challenges though even as soon as tomorrow morning or this morning i should say well there are challenges that have already been filed so we have two lawsuits already in pennsylvania uh one in montgomery county and one at the state level that um are directed at absentee ballots

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that um are directed at absentee ballots um but but we should be sort of clear-eyed about this that that there is no switch at the supreme court that can be flicked on to stop a vote count um all these votes are going to be counted if there are disputes there is a legal process that will be followed and that's what we should be seeing in the coming days um but it all really depends on how close the margin is um it's possible maybe president trump will have as big a margin after the count of these votes as he has right now in which case it probably wouldn't go any further but uh if the margin narrows or if president biden overtakes it then uh then we'll see whether they're it's within as we say the margin of litigation we have just about 60 seconds left before a break uh are are there are many states that do things differently right there's there's a there's a patchwork of different rules depending on where you are well that's true and uh in each one of these states there are different rules with respect to absentee ballots for example north carolina is still receiving absentee ballots um and as is pennsylvania for the next three days and so um they're different than michigan or wisconsin which have to receive them uh on election day so you you we're we're in for a few days of uncertainty here but um there's a process that needs to be followed in order to figure out who actually won this election all right nate purcelli thank you so much for sticking with us for for staying up all night with us we're going to take another break we'll be back in just when this community hurts when he reaches out his hand we pull it to his when the feet calls we respond chicago wednesday returns next wednesday on nbc

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somebody has to stand up for victims what happened to you doesn't define you he's not getting away with this the world is changing there's no stigma in coming forward you're safe it's not going to be easy but you're going to survive this how do you know because i did svu returns next thursday on nbc [Music] [Applause] as many of you know today is my last day oh after 100 episodes amy says goodbye i just can't believe you're actually leaving i thought you and me were going to work here till we got old and died together i mean not here at the store but probably join us for a touching no touching superstore farewell not yet okay the 100th episode of superstore thursday on nbc [Music]

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we are back with nbc news decision 2020 coverage it is 4 30 a.m on the east coast 1 30 a.m on the west coast and we are still with you because this presidential race is yet to be decided let's take a look at where things stand at this hour and you can see why we still have a long way to go on the road to 270 right now vice president biden with 220 electoral college votes president trump with 213. that doesn't tell the whole story though you see all those gray states on the map that's where we're still awaiting results or awaiting enough results to be able to call or project who will win those votes let's take a look state by state beginning with pennsylvania a critical state could be the deciding state in this race it is too early to call at this hour a lot of counting to be done there georgia too close to call with the president with a lead but again 92 percent in and too close to call because many urban areas haven't been counted yet north carolina also too close to call at this hour same situation waiting for votes to come in in the suburbs in michigan it is too early to call with the president with a slight lead with 76 percent of the vote in still too early arizona at this hour with 82 percent in too early to call and wisconsin another one of those critical northern states what were considered the blue wall we are calling that too close to call at this hour nevada too early to call not enough information yet and in maine too early to call although we can note that vice president biden does seem to have a lead in the state of maine in hawaii the the race there too early to call and finally in alaska too early to call

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and finally in alaska too early to call with some votes coming in but only 36 percent in so far so again here's a look at the map at this hour again all those great states we are waiting for and it will be hours it may be days before we count millions of votes across this country former vice president joe biden did speak to supporters earlier earlier in the night if you weren't awake at that hour here's what he had to say shortly after midnight we feel good about where we are we really do i'm here to tell you tonight we believe we're on track to win this election [Applause] we knew because of the unprecedented early vote in the mail-in vote that's going to take a while we're going to have to be patient until we the hard work of tallying the votes is finished and it ain't over until every vote is counted every ballot is counted ali vitali is covering the biden campaign for us she's in wilmington delaware this morning ali when you hear what the vice president said uh he's saying it's it's still too soon he's not claiming victory in that speech what is the campaign saying about what they will do as we head into wednesday morning well kate he is going by the plan that his advisors have laid out to us for several days here which is that they anticipated that president donald trump could come out and try to declare an early victory but they also knew that joe biden would be the person who would not be doing that who would instead say if they felt optimistic that they were optimistic and on the path to victory and ultimately that's what he said in this parking lot here behind me just a few hours ago and just since you came on the air we actually have a new statement from biden's campaign manager jen o'malley dylan we knew that his campaign was watching president donald trump at the white house but now we're getting a sense of what they thought of that statement gen o'malley dylan calling the president's unfounded declaration of victory outrageous unprecedented and incorrect she goes on

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unprecedented and incorrect she goes on in this statement to call trump's comments a naked effort to take away the democratic rights of american citizens also promising she says that every vote will be counted and sort of giving a warning to the trump campaign saying that if president trump wants to take this to court the

democratic side of this race does have lawyers at the ready and they anticipate that they will win those challenges and look in my private conversations with aids tonight this is a scenario that the campaign expected they thought that donald trump could come out and do this they weren't sure if it was going to happen but ultimately we all saw what happened in the east room that being said they feel confident confident about the path that they have before them places like michigan wisconsin and pennsylvania those gray states on the map that are so critical because it is democrats trying at least to rebuild the blue wall that donald trump managed to topple and so they do think that they could see better results out of there part of the reason why those states are still gray at this point is because a lot of these bigger metropolitan areas that have a lot of democratic votes in them have a lot of different ballots coming in in ways that they have not had to deal with before mail-in voting early voting we saw huge turnout numbers well before election day and so a lot of these localities are dealing with counting ballots in numbers in ways that they haven't before that's why i think the word of the day here around the biden campaign is a long slog ahead of us we knew that it would take a while to have these votes counted now kate we are living in that reality and ali have you had a chance to ask the campaign about those southern states about southwest arizona uh north carolina georgia what is what is the biden campaign thinking about those look those are also states that they feel confident about winning they liked their chances in places like arizona their campaign manager specifically has been bullish on flipping arizona at the same time though this is a campaign that has laid out that they have multiple paths to victory they don't need to go through those southern states they think that the blue

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southern states they think that the blue wall is one of their better paths but that being said there is still the reality that they could mix and match a little bit here picking off maybe a wisconsin and a michigan and then pairing that with an arizona there's a lot of ways that they can get to this and frankly that was part of their strategy in the early days before election day was to say that there's multiple different ways that they can do this contrasting that with president trump's more narrow path they thought to victory all right ali vitale thank you and we do have a bit of news to give you at this hour at 4 36 eastern time out in hawaii nbc news can project joe biden is the winner of hawaii's four electoral votes not a big surprise but that's a projection we can make at this hour let's go back to what president trump said when he spoke to supporters in the east room of the white house uh we were just mentioning that with ali vitale uh we want to play a little bit of the sound and then we'll talk with our white house correspondent here's the president just about two we're getting ready for a big celebration we we were winning everything and all of a sudden it was just called off the results tonight have been phenomenal and we are getting ready i mean literally we were just all set to get outside and just celebrate something that was so beautiful so good uh such a vote such a success the citizens of this country have come out in record numbers this is a record there's never been anything like it to support our incredible movement the president went on to claim victory and wins in several different states which have not been projected by nbc news there's simply not enough information yet in any of those races again millions of people have voted and those votes have not yet been counted we're going to take a quick break and then we'll get to our white house correspondent a bit later stay with us if you will

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the symptoms fast [Music] hey guys the tonight show is all new in the studio tonight we got news we got jokes we got celebrities we got music all your favorite bits and so much more and there's a prize at the bottom of every box so tune in later tonight in the house [Music] i met my share of killers but not one like elizabeth so i'm feeling

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feeling a little vulnerable reddington killed your father and was responsible for the death of the man you loved i'm gonna do everything in my power to take you down she's quite determined we'll have to be as well [Music] [Applause] somebody has to stand up for victims what happened to you doesn't define you he's not getting away with this the world is changing there's no stigma in coming forward you're safe it's not going to be easy but you're going to survive this how do you know because i did svu returns next thursday on nbc welcome back to our decision 2020 coverage here on nbc couple hours from now and the sun will be coming up on the east coast we've been watching the markets all night i want to bring in nbc senior business correspondent stephanie rule who's with us steph when we talked to you just a little bit ago the futures weren't looking so good just in the last 10 minutes we've seen a turnaround they're up again kate who doesn't like a middle of the night roller coaster clearly that's what we're on it's been a roller coaster all night during and soon after the president's remarks we saw the futures market

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remarks we saw the futures market take a serious dive because what's really important is to trust the process and follow the process it was weeks ago when the president first said that he would not necessarily adhere to a peaceful transfer of power that's when you saw the market start to get skittish and you saw it again when he opened the door for a contested election but really in the last half hour since you have heard from lawmakers and lawyers sort of across the board just this general rebuking the president reminding him that he does not decide who wins the election the process will be carried out and every legal vote will be counted and you're seeing the markets respond to that they want to make sure the process is carried through now we don't know if it absolutely will be but it's not like the president is getting any sort of wide support i know you've also been looking at exit polling and the data about what voters were looking for in this election economically speaking financially speaking what are we learning about how how voters voted for their pocketbook listen we know that covid impacted how people vote especially from both a health and economic perspective and people voted based on how it's impacted them you and i have talked about this before for some people in this country it has been a v-shaped recovery if you can work from home if you have a white-collar job if you're invested in the markets if you can afford to buy a house or a car and take advantage of low interest rates and people in that position who haven't been dramatically impacted by covet well they stayed with the president senior citizens who have said well i like what my 401k has done even though it did better under president obama president trump is fantastic at selling the economy that works for him whereas people who were the most adversely affected um minorities women people who lost their businesses lost their jobs we saw them gravitate towards biden so it was a reminder that people vote based on what affects them

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based on what affects them not offends them and even though we talk so much in this country about this is who we are people voted based on this is how i'm doing and it's interesting too when i was out talking to voters particularly in ohio and pennsylvania in more rural areas people who have jobs have 401ks and i had a lot of voters say to me my 401k is doing really well and that's the thing kate it's you're we're correct in saying the stock market and the economy are not the same thing but think about retirees for a lot of retirees their retirement accounts are their income it is what they depend on and they feel like they've had a good ride under president trump and and while the president has said to them over and over without me your 401k will be lost that's not necessarily true but people believe it all right stephanie rule thanks for staying up with us appreciate it so much let's bring in susan del percio she's a republican strategist she's an nbc news

contributor she's involved with the lincoln project as well susan nice to see you at this hour of the morning quarter of five on the east coast uh we lost susan we're having a lot of gremlins on this overnight shift it's very hard as you can imagine to get everybody wired up at this late hour let's go back to monica alba who's at the white house for us uh monica when you look at the map and we've been talking about critical states talk to me about if if the white house is gaming this out now and still awake at this hour and looking at what they really need to win the president said he's he's he claimed he's got a clear path what is the path that they're looking at as most likely it's quite narrow kate that's the most important thing here when we zoom out and look at what is left and what is still remains that needs to be counted the president's campaign was feeling very optimistic about some of the sun belt states florida north carolina which of course has not been called yet and is incredibly close they thought they were going to do

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they thought they were going to do better in arizona obviously former vice president joe biden doing better there so that really leaves this main outstanding question of the rust belt those three critical states michigan wisconsin and pennsylvania that essentially delivered donald trump then candidate trump the white house in 2016. what will those look like for him this time around and unfortunately all of those because we don't have a complete picture yet we're hoping to get a little bit more information on wisconsin later this morning they are just too close to call and too early to call in some cases but really for the president's re-election effort they have to do quite well in two of three of those in order to really maintain this path they were looking at in combination with some of the other things that's assuming that they hold on to georgia which is not definitive at this point there's still a lot that remains outstanding there so the president really now facing an uphill battle and that's why his comments earlier tonight were so inflammatory and controversial even those aids and allies around him that we've seen now speaking out afterwards saying they were distressed in the words of one of them by what the president was saying because while he is trying to claim victory that's simply not the case yet but look kate the fact is the trump campaign was playing a lot of defense in these final weeks and we knew that in terms of where the president was spending his time in states he won in 2016 not so much trying to expand the map in any way shape or form about a year ago i remember having conversations with campaign aides who were optimistic about states they could potentially flip they were talking about in nevada for example or new mexico or even something like oregon of course that's not at all what the strategy ended up doing being in these final weeks and final days instead really looking to the states he won super narrowly last cycle to see if they could hang on to them again they're pleased with what they saw so far though in terms of turnout and they're hoping that that turnout is visible in some of these midwestern states when the votes continue to be counted of course

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continue to be counted of course from all those ballots that were already cast but are still outstanding in terms of the totals but it's also going to be a major legal battle it appears that's what republicans are preparing for it's something they've been doing for months and in the state of pennsylvania is really where a lot of this could still come down to okay pennsylvania michigan wisconsin are going to be critical in the hours to come monica alba at the white house forest monica thanks so much much more to come when our decision 2020 coverage continues in just a moment stay with us [Music] it's like right [Applause] ready to shine from the inside out try nature's bounty hair skin and nails gummies the number one brand to support beautiful hair glowing skin and healthy nails and try advanced now with two times more biotin new number seven advanced retinol night concentrate from america's number one serum brand five times more retinol than the number one retinol serum yet formulated to be gentle on your skin new number seven advanced retinol night concentrate these are both satisfying snacks at 30 calories v8 is surprisingly filling you can have yogurt for 30 calories too but the portion might be a little less satisfying v8 the original plant powered drink veg up [Music]

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the first ingredient in this clif bar is brown rice syrup which is another name for sugar in this kind bar it's heart-healthy almonds with the taste of dark chocolate and 75 less sugar than the leading clif bar be kind to yourself up at 2 a.m again tonight try piersie's all night unlike other sleep baits our extended release melatonin helps you sleep longer and longer zeke will piersies all night fall asleep stay asleep this is us is back this is what everyone is saying and this is just the beginning new this is us tuesday on nbc [Music] [Applause] [Music] so i'm feeling a little vulnerable reddington killed your father and was responsible for the death of the man you loved i'm gonna do everything in my power to take you down she's quite determined we'll have to be as well back with our decision 2020 coverage

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back with our decision 2020 coverage you're looking at the senate at this hour still pretty evenly split with a lot of races outstanding let's take a look north carolina too close to call there's a big race there between tom tillis and his challenger in maine senator susan collins fighting for her seat there still too early to call at this hour in arizona the democrats really hoping to pick up a new seat there against martha mcsally that's mark kelly the former astronaut still too early to call at this hour in michigan this is a seat that democrats are defending gary peters there the senator and this one too early to call at this hour in alaska too early to call with 36 percent of the vote in in georgia one of two races the two-way race between david perdue and john ossoff too close too close to call at this hour and then the other georgia senate race this is uh a multi-party race it was known as a jungle primary right now it will head to a special election these two warnock and leffler advance to that special election so at this point the democrats have picked up one seat that's in colorado the republicans have as expected picked up one in alabama that was hickenlooper in colorado winning for the democrats that was the pickup there and then tuberville who is the former auburn football coach picking up that seat in alabama again that was expected democrats were hoping to do a lot better this evening than they have so far mitch mcconnell the senate majority leader retaining his seat in kentucky in south carolina lindsey graham the judiciary chairman maintaining his seat long standing seat in the senate against a challenger jamie harrison who a lot of democrats had a lot of faith in were hoping he might come through this evening so again at this hour the split democrats with 46 republicans with 47 democrats would still need to pick up

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democrats would still need to pick up a net of three if joe biden is the president a net of four uh if they lose the presidency in order to take control of the senate which seems increasingly harder to do i want to turn to christina greer she's an associate professor of political science at fordham university politics editor of the griot thanks for being up late with us really appreciate it uh as as you view this evening and you look at voter turnout you look at the black vote turnout what are you watching at this hour what are you seeing uh well good morning kate good morning good morning uh so you know i'm looking at so many uh votes that still have yet to be counted and i think you know a lot of americans are unsettled by the president's comments this evening and so we have to make sure for the integrity of our elections and the integrity of our democracy that all the absentee ballots are counted for the states that did not start to count the pennsylvania wisconsin michigan where they were not counting uh the ballots that were cast during early voting those must be counted uh just because the president doesn't like a particular percentage right now that doesn't mean that we stop counting the votes but uh you know the world is watching us and vice president pence tried to walk it back but we have to be very clear you know uh free and fair elections are one of the the few democratic principles that separates us from non-democratic nations and and everyone's watching us right now i was in cleveland the other day christina and talking to black voters in particular and and some were saying it's a little late for joe biden to come you know with an ad at the last minute and then come to cleveland on monday morning yesterday uh two days ago now morning what's your sense for that did did the biden campaign miss some opportunities perhaps uh by not doing enough outreach sooner i don't know if that's the case i mean you know obviously african-americans are a very solid democratic voting bloc especially during presidential elections roughly around 90

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presidential elections roughly around 90 percent i mean obviously many african-american voters still want to be courted they want to be talking about policy you know economic issues how presidents plan on handling kovit i do think that joe biden strategically went to particular areas uh you know in the in the final days of the campaign uh that you know had sort of grassroots organizing uh that was you know sort of showing the democratic map and the math uh that made sense i think the fact that he went to ohio which quite honestly has been quite red uh as of late uh but still making the case to african-american voters i mean we know that many african-american voters are the backbone of the democratic party joe biden i think did a substantive job reaching out to black voters to make sure that they did not feel abused or taken advantage of unlike the president who uses black voters as props when he sees fit but if you look at his record economically and even uh with some of the social justice issues that he touts it's just quite frankly sin and not there and if we look at the president's historical record it's absolutely not there and we can go back to the central part five or you know the federal court cases where he and his father were sued for discriminating against african-americans so in some ways it's a cut and dry case but i think joe biden did a good faith effort trying to reach out to one of the foundations of the democratic party and we'll see how those votes play out in places like philadelphia and pittsburgh and uh cities across wisconsin and michigan as well detroit going to be very important to look at those votes christina grier thanks so much for being with us late appreciate it we'll be back in just a moment here we'll take a quick break more of our 2020 coverage when this community hurts when he reaches out his hand we pull it to his [Music] chicago wednesday returns next wednesday on nbc

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[Music] [Applause] [Music] somebody has to stand up for victims what happened to you doesn't define you he's not getting away with this the world is changing there's no stigma in coming forward you're safe it's not gonna be easy but you're going to survive this how do you know because i did svu returns next thursday on nbc president trump and joe biden hit the track at the center of this campaign coronavirus destroyed the battleground blitz as we enter the final stretch of the 2020 race from every angle if you were sitting here talking to joe biden and president trump what would you want to tell them right now on the ground the winds standing these flames are expected to last another 24 hours and in depth we now have two vaccine trails on hold should people be concerned nbc nightly news with lester holt get ready for maskamam domination you are going to need an entire mass force to take me down you crying already because your mascara is running sometimes you can be a real mask hole you got that one covered any masked words no masks stay these puns are hard you know it's not hard wearing a mask don't be a mask hole just wear the damn mask

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good morning it is 5 a.m on the east coast 2 a.m out west you're back with nbc news coverage of decision 2020. we're going all night long here i'm kate snow let's take a look at where things stand at this hour if maybe you took a nap or you went to bed for a while here's where we're at vice president joe biden with 224 electoral college votes the president with 213 those numbers don't tell the full story though because look at all the gray on that map those are states that have not yet been projected by nbc news by our decision desk we simply don't have enough information or the race is too tight we'll go through them in a moment you can see a lot of red states in blue that were expected but really a lot of the toss-up states are still outstanding including pennsylvania one of the most critical toss-up states too early to call at this hour with 74 of the vote in in georgia another race we've been following all night long you've heard chuck todd say if you were with us earlier that we're waiting for metro areas areas around atlanta to come in too close to call at this hour north carolina same situation a lot of votes still yet to be counted too close to call by our metrics in michigan it is too early to call that race you see president trump with a lead but again only 77 percent of the vote in right now in arizona we can say that joe biden is leading in the state of arizona but again it is simply too early to call we have standards at nbc we wait for enough vote to make a determination in wisconsin another one of

the northern states we're going to be watching closely in the coming hours they are still counting votes it is too close to call there in nevada too early to call at this hour uh the difference of 25 000 votes with just about 79

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with just about 79 of the vote in right now in maine too early to call although joe biden in that state does have a lead at this hour and in alaska too early to call at this hour again not many votes even in there yet 36 percent of the vote in again taking a look at the full map of the u.s you can see the blue states the red states that we've already projected earlier this evening and you can see all those gray states are still outstanding and going to need a lot of time in some cases potentially days steve patterson is in battleground michigan again one of those states that we have not been able to project yet steve you've been up all night you've been talking to folks what's the sense on the ground for a how long it's going to take to get any resolution and b which way it might be going well kate first of all the first thing that was made abundantly clear even heading into this week is that michigan was never going to be decided on tuesday night that's been made clear from the secretary of state to city clerks to township managers in fact the rough estimate coming into this week was that we wouldn't have anything clearly verified by about friday now that's been pushed forward a little bit because of the diligence and the staffing up of several workers who've been able to push and try to get some of these ballots verified but that's always been the estimate that because of this crush of absentee ballots that are coming in uh that tuesday night was never realistic for the state of michigan and michigan has already shattered records the secretary of state saying that we're probably going to get above 5.2 million votes cast overall when you look at the total picture that's 3.26 million absentee ballots michigan workers have never dealt with anything like that adding on top of the 2 to 2.5 million in-person votes coming into this state that's for a number of reasons the first of all the spike in the coronavirus which has

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the spike in the coronavirus which has led to this influx of absentee ballots it is surging in several communities throughout the state the second is the republican state legislature which basically said that these ballots can't be counted these absentee ballots can't be counted until the day of election day which means this was always again going to be pushed primarily towards the end of the week the secretary of state now saying that we are likely not able to get anything even an unofficial count until later on tonight maybe about 7 p.m tonight is when we'll start to see a clearer picture but again several more days until we get real verified results uh here in the state of michigan and that is always what it was going to be that's normal uh for this area and let's talk a little bit about the history there because if people remember in 2016 that was a state that democrats thought hillary clinton would have no problem carrying and it was it was that i remember the moment when we found out election night 2016 that she was going to lose it yeah it was the slimmest margin of anywhere in the country.23 percent less than 11 000 votes separated those two candidates in trump's victory uh the show there was big concern coming into today specifically focusing on big urban areas democrats wanted to shore up the votes in places like detroit which has an enormous black population nearly 80 percent black there were several get out the vote campaigns focusing on this area they were worried because of all the absentee ballots that were coming in they were worried frankly about voter turnout detroit did not turn out the way they did in 2008 in that historic election or 2012 uh like they should have in 2016. the city clerk coming into this week was estimating maybe about a 50 voter turnout turns out that's actually going to be more like 53 to 55 which will shatter the record that's been set here for 20 years so

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that's been set here for 20 years so detroiters did show up to the polls michiganders did show up to the polls uh in record numbers but again we're not going to know the full picture of what happens here until at least a few days from now americans showed up at the polls this one steve patterson thank you so much for staying up all night for us really appreciate it let's turn to maura barrett she's been with us all night too she's in pittsburgh pennsylvania of course a state that we are watching so closely this hour maura and and remind us

again pittsburgh pennsylvania as a whole is going to be counting absentee and mail-in ballots for several days per the supreme court exactly kate so a state law prior to election day had ruled that any ballots that are postmarked by election day so anytime yesterday before 8 pm they are sent in they'll continue counting them as they come in any time before friday at 5 00 p.m and so we went into election day knowing that it was likely pennsylvania would not be called because election officials in all 67 counties will be processing and counting ballots throughout the next three days so we still have quite a ways ahead of us cape but i'm standing outside of the the warehouse here in allegheny county where they were counting ballots until early hours this morning about 2 2 a.m the the county decided to take a break these 200 workers that were processing ballots decided to to take some rest because they they've been going on stop since 7am they were originally had told us that they were going to be working non-stop but in shifts but this was the same group of people that had been working all day and what we've been hearing from election officials across the state prior to election day is that they were not going to trade speed over accuracy and that's what we're seeing exemplified here allegheny county will restart counting and reporting their ballots at 10 a.m and is there a thought maura that some of those ballots that are being counted now the the mail-in ballots might be different than what we're

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might be different than what we're seeing when we look at the numbers so far for allegheny county absolutely and that's the picture that we're seeing mostly across the state as well there were nearly 3 million mail-in ballots requested across pennsylvania and when you look at how the voter registrations played out two million of those were democratic and so the joe biden campaign definitely leaning on waiting to see how these mail and ballots were going to come in because we were expecting that they would lean democratic that leaves about 6 million registered voters that did vote that could have voted in person yesterday so we'll see how those numbers ultimately come in but on the other side the donald trump campaign really focusing on getting their in-person turnout and especially in those more rural conservative counties in the center part of the state hoping to balance out whatever margins joe biden might be able to eat into in these coming days as we get these results especially in philadelphia and allegheny counties all right maura barrett thanks so much for sticking with us appreciate it let's go to susan del percio i think she's with us now we tried to try to go to her a little bit earlier she's with the lincoln project she's a republican strategist susan nice to see you thanks for staying up i don't know if you maybe you got a nap in i sure didn't no not yet um so look as we head into wednesday morning now um there were folks who thought that joe biden might have vice president biden might have sealed the deal last night that it might have been over that quickly i think there are some democrats who are disappointed that it that it wasn't but where do you see the state of play as we head into the morning well kate i should tell you that i was one of those people that i thought at this hour we would have seen a decisive win for joe biden but we're not in a bad position when we look as far as joe biden goes when you're looking at the map it looks like he i know nbc has not called arizona for for joe biden but it does look like it's trending that way um with the majority of the vote in and that's a pickup that's good news for

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that's a pickup that's good news for biden i think that there were democrats and some republicans like myself who were hoping to see georgia which still could flip but it's it's less likely or north carolina brings some early news that would have led us to believe that we would that biden would have won but we still have michigan wisconsin and pennsylvania in play and michigan we just saw another i'm sorry wisconsin we just saw milwaukee come in and now joe biden is leading um in votes just by 11 000 but this race is far from over and just when you start doing the math it's worth noting that it is possible that joe biden can still get to 270 without pennsylvania let me ask you a hypothetical if vice president biden does become president what happens to the republican party who is the standard bearer because there there's such a split you represent the split from president trump what happens next i i'm not sure to be honest like i said i was hoping for a decisive joe biden victory and that would have helped lead to the end of trumpism and now we know it's not it's it's still alive and it will be for some time to come and i think it's an incumbent on people like myself and other republicans to continue to call out what i call trump enablers those who know better and still defend the

president so there's a lot more work to be had but if president if vice president biden is elected it will certainly make my job easier you certainly are on that side of it susan zelberzio thank you so much for being with us appreciate it we'll take a quick break uh we'll be right back with more decision 2020 coverage statements [Music] we've made a lot of breakfasts and along the way we noticed something was missing a warm cinnamon roll for breakfast or with breakfast

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with breakfast a fluffy blueberry muffin from the drive-through you're already driving through a glazed apple fritter which might find its way into your coffee these are options every breakfast haver should have and now they do meet the new bakery sweets at mcdonald's vick's vapo patch easy to wear with soothing vicks vapors for her for you for the whole family trusted soothing vapers from vicks new number seven advanced retinol night concentrate from america's number one serum brand five times more retinol than the number one retinol serum yet formulated to be gentle on your skin new number seven advanced retinol night concentrate ready to shine from the inside out try nature's bounty hair skin and nails gummies the number one brand to support beautiful hair glowing skin and healthy nails and try advanced now with two times more biotin each febreze car vent clip gives you up to 30 days of fresh air so you can have open window freshness even with all the windows up enjoy fresh anytime with febreze [Music] this is us is back this is what everyone is saying and this is just the beginning new this is us tuesday on nbc [Music]

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[Music] [Applause] [Music] i am speaking in all caps [Applause] [Music] [Applause] i should've been a mailman [Music] [Applause] good morning we are back on this wednesday morning with our decision 2020 coverage we're going to take a look at wisconsin right now if you were with us before the break you just heard susan del percio reference this we've got more votes in and you might have if you've been around for hours you might have heard chuck todd talking about milwaukee county so here's the statewide numbers right now with 89 percent in we've got and now we've gone to milwaukee county sorry so for milwaukee county we've got a lot more votes coming in now 95 percent are now in that was a as chuck would call it a dump of votes into the system biden is now leading in the raw vote 69 to 29.3 in milwaukee county home to the city of milwaukee that's going to be very significant when it comes if we could flip back to the state numbers again when it comes to looking at the state of

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when it comes to looking at the state of wisconsin you now see biden up by .3 percentage points again this is still too close to call per nbc news standards only 89 percent of the vote in but that milwaukee county vote is helping joe biden at the moment and it may be very very tight in wisconsin let's go to carol lee who's covering the biden campaign for us and talk about what we just saw there carol that's good news in wisconsin yeah this is essentially kate what the biting campaign has been urging patients for telling his supporters that they should wait for all the votes to be counted that this race is far from over and it's this and and frankly the the fighting campaign and the trump campaign albeit in a very different way have been preparing their supporters for this scenario a scenario in which the early returns show the president in the lead and then waiting for those mail-in ballots to be counted that are likely to go more in joe biden's favor and so the the vice president's campaign what they're saying now is that this is a quote slog that they're ready for this to take some time they've been aware of that from the beginning but for them all their focus is on that blue wall everything you've just been talking about pennsylvania michigan wisconsin and also a little bit on the sun belt where you still have outstanding north carolina georgia arizona arizona's critical the brident campaign would very much like to flip that state president trump won it in 2016. but now it's a waiting game and potentially a legal game as we heard from the president last night falsely claiming that that he had won and so the biden campaign is geared up for that but really waiting to see these updates from those key states pennsylvania michigan and wisconsin all right carol lee thank you for that update appreciate it let's bring in former florida congressman david jolly who's with us uh we haven't spoken all night i i assume you've been up all night

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assume you've been up all night have you had any breaks right okay so so as you look at wisconsin let's talk about that first since we were just talking about it and those numbers coming in from milwaukee county voting well for joe biden but you've got a president saying that he's i'm just a few hours ago saying that he's going to win wisconsin um what about that blue wall and and can trump do what he did in 2016. well it looks like the wall's starting to crack a little bit the the ballots that just came in in milwaukee and kate we may see a similar situation in michigan with votes that are about to be dumped in the detroit area and a few other counties that would skew towards biden we're still waiting on metro atlanta and georgia and so it very well may be that here in the coming hours of this morning we see biden take a lead in those states that are considered the blue wall pennsylvania may not be dispositive anymore biden might be able to get to 270 without pennsylvania the intriguing thing about this kate that i find is given the president's comments overnight that he intended to possibly challenge these results legally the time to challenge it would have been last night to prevent some of these ballots from actually being counted now there's no precedent for that it would have been wrong and rightfully a lot of people have denounced the president's intent but once these votes are counted the president's claims are going to get even more uh more tricky to try to undo ballots that have already been counted yeah legally speaking do you saying that do you still suspect they will try that i mean they've got fleets of lawyers at the ready yeah i anticipate they'll do something you know we know from four years of this president that he makes these broad statements and then it turns out that staff has to implement it in a much smaller on a much smaller scale and what i would say to a lot of people who who rightfully denounce the president's comments don't worry about the president behaving in an autocratic way the president of the united states does not have an autocratic authority

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not have an autocratic authority to command the disposition of our elections he is operating as a candidate and just like candidate biden he has certain redress options available to him to go before a court and make his case but there really appear to be very little to no claims that he could validly make before a court so look warren christopher in 2000 during bush gore said this is not a constitutional crisis this is how a free society holds free elections they go to a court for certain determinations trump may indeed do that but i don't expect that he will be successful at it he may have some friendly courts because of what republicans have been able to do in our judicial system i want to ask you quickly about congress we haven't talked much about the house tonight but it is looking like democrats maintain their majority but maybe not by as much as it was before and republicans look to be doing pretty well in the senate they certainly you know with the races we've called so far we don't see a democratic takeover in the senate yeah look this is a much tighter night uh nationally i think than anybody really anticipated including the presidential race very tight the idea of biden winning handily certainly did not happen there were there were significant thoughts that the senate would go to democrats i don't think that happens and in the house democrats lost seats and if there is a bright lining for republicans tonight it's the republican house members picked up seats and importantly kate many of those are female republican newly elected members of congress the republican caucus on capitol hill on the house side has expanded their representation among women that is a good thing regardless of one's party affiliation it is changing david jolly former congressman thanks so much for being with us appreciate it get some rest we'll take a quick break we'll be right back with our decision 2020 election coverage [Music] geico makes the claims process so easy i can file and manage my claim on the

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can file and manage my claim on the geico app it's not just easy it's giving your dog your fitness tracker easy oh good boy yes you got it already got my 40 000 steps today can i get a what what no pain no gain it's geico easy with fast and convenient claim service look how fast i'm running good boy chester no matter what sometimes keeps you up nature made helps you win the night our extended release melatonin helps you fall asleep and stay asleep nature made the number one pharmacist recommended vitamin and supplement brand lactate is 100 real milk just without the lactose so you can enjoy it even if you're sensitive yet some

people say lactate is a real milk i guess all those cows must actually be big dogs that's it i said sit one shake and cats come running so be careful what you shake [Music] temptations cat treats all it takes is a shake i'm 53 but in my mind i'm still 35 that's why i take osteo biflex to keep me moving the way i was made to it nourishes and strengthens my joints for the long term while helping with occasional joint stiffness osteobi-flex are you tired of clean clothes that just don't smell clean what if your clothes could stay fresh for weeks now they can downy unstoppables in wash scent boosters keep your laundry smelling fresh way longer than detergent alone pour a cap of downy unstoppables into your washing machine before each load and enjoy fresher smelling laundry with six times the freshness ingredients downey unstoppables gives you more of what you love if you want laundry to smell fresh for weeks make sure you have downy unstoppables in wash scent boosters hungry for more ellen it went up my nose well of course it did

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well of course it did well set your sights on november 24th when all new games return everybody comfortable not for long game of games returns november 24th on nbc [Music] when this community hurts when he reaches out his hand we pull it to his feet we respond chicago wednesday returns next wednesday on nbc hungry for more ellen it went up i know well of course it did well set your sights on november 24th when all new games return everybody comfortable not for long game of games returns november 24th on [Music] nbc [Music] [Applause] [Music] welcome back to nbc news decision 2020 coverage 5 25 in the morning on the east coast but in europe it's a lot later it's midday over there the whole world watching tonight's u.s election let's bring in senior international correspondent kier simmons he's in london here what are people making of this stalemate that we have this wait and see uh yeah you're right kate everything that you guys have been watching people have been watching around the world either through the day in asia in australia through the night here in europe it was in the early hours that those statements from president trump and vice president biden came out and

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and vice president biden came out and the nature of the trump presidency demonstrating that america can make decisions that really rocks the world has meant that there is polarization everywhere so for example in israel we're hearing people saying they really hope that president trump is re-elected in many parts of europe the opposite the hope that this is the end of the trump presidency not everywhere though the slovenian prime minister the first european leader he is very right-wing to congratulate president trump calling it a triumph and sending by tweet his uh congratulations but kate also the polarization the indecision if you like at this stage is worrying many politicians here in europe in germany uh the biggest economy in europe but really the the leaders of of europe uh politicians their former ambassador saying that the polarization in america is bad news for the european american alliance quite simply because it risks uh indecision and challenges of that nature and then while the well america's friends are worrying america's foes are trying to leverage this if you like it in russia they're talking about american chaos in china the chinese government saying it's not taking sides but the chinese state media trying to disparage american democracy kate all right keir simmons with us from london i'm sure the world will continue to watch as this gets sorted out over the coming hours and days we're going to take a quick break we'll be back in just a minute get ready for mask mom domination how dare you question my mask you limit you crying already because your mask scara is running it is not these puns are harder you know it's not hard wearing a mask mask it up

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wearing a mask mask it up [Music] [Applause] somebody has to stand up for victims what happened to you doesn't define you he's not getting away with this the world is changing there's no stigma in coming forward you're safe it's not going to be easy but you're going to survive this how do you know because i did svu returns next thursday on nbc good morning welcome to today we're glad to have you with us we are tracking the next phase of america's reopening what measures should be in place in those classrooms the race for the white house it is on if you don't take care of yourself how can you take care of others the little simple

things maybe after all of this we appreciate those little things yes whether we're physically together or not we are together and that's what counts i am speaking in all caps [Music] [Applause] i love you i love you [Applause] [Music] [Applause] man

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back again with nbc news decision 2020 coverage i'm kate snow it is 5 30 a.m on the east coast 2 30 a.m on the west coast it's been a long night let's take a look at where things stand at this hour let's begin with those races that are still outstanding for the president right now you see the road to 270 there and here's the map we've got all those gray states still waiting to be decided many of them are real battlegrounds pennsylvania the biggest prize right now too early to call

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